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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Nov. 30, 1903.

Editor Press:—

The Panama canal treaty, ratified unanimously and without amendment by the Junta and the ministry, has been officially delivered to United States Consul General Gudger. He will forward it to Washington, probably in an American war ship, and President Roosevelt will lose no time in sending it to the Senate. It is expected here in about ten days, so the Senate will be able to consider it immediately after a vote is taken on the Cuban bill. Senator Cullom, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations expects opposition to the treaty, but he feels certain that it will be ratified by the required two-thirds majority. Its provisions are so advantageous to the United States and the sentiment throughout the country is so strong for a canal, that few of the democratic Senators will care to delay its ratification.

George Reyes, the Columbian commissioner, and Dr. Herran, the charge de affairs took luncheon with Secretary Hay, and discussed affairs in Colombia and on the Isthmus. General Reyes outlined in general the position of his government, but as he is waiting for explicit instructions, he can not submit any definate proposals. It is thought that he will be permitted to recognize the definite separation of Colombia and Panama and negotiate for some kind of compensation for Colombia. This is of course the only way in which he can accomplish anything by his mission. Panama is now an independent state and the day that the present treaty is ratified by the Senate, this government guarantees this independence, even against Colombia.

Senator Foraker, who is chairman of the Committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico and one of the firmest supporters of President Roosevelt, declares that he does not intend to abandon the Lodge bill reducing the tariff on imports from the Philippines. This bill is favored by many republicans who do not wish to start a tariff discussion before the presidential election. Senator Foraker says, "Why should the republican party be afraid to discuss the tariff at any time? If there is any policy of legislation with which the republican party is identified, and identified, too, to the satisfaction of the American people, is election returns can be taken as an indication, it is the tariff.

"Let them talk tariff if they want to. What have we to be concerned about? We admit that some schedules in the Dingley tariff act, framed in 1897, may not be altogether satisfactory for the conditions of 1904; but we shall use our own discretion as to the time and method of changing them and take the responsibility before the country for preventing the unsettling of industrial and trade conditions.

"I believe there ought to be free trade with the Philippines as there is with Porto Rico. I believe the Senate will at least pass a bill reducing the rate of tariff on the products of the Philippine Islands entering this country." He adds his belief that such a bill will be passed this winter.

Although Senator Foraker's proposition has not yet been much discussed, it is regarded as the statement of one high in party councils, and makes it probable that the Philippine tariff will be the subject of much debate during the winter.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

BINGEMAN.

"MRS. SUSANNAH BINGEMAN, widow of the late John Bingeman, Sr., and the oldest person in this section of the county (Northumberland) died on last Friday night at 10 o'clock, at her home in Georgetown, from the effects of a second stroke of paralysis, at the age of 98 years. Mother Bingeman, as she was familiary known, was until about six monts ago, when she first suffered a stroke of paralysis, in the very best health and spirit, of a jolly disposition, and looked considerably more youthful than many persons of sixty years.

Every person looked upon her as a person who would surely pass the 100 mark, but death has decreed otherwise and called her away from her earthly home, into a higher life.

She was an earnest christian aud attended church services until a few years ago, when her advanced age made it almost impossible for her to walk the distance in safety, then she partook of the Holy Supper at her home. But a short time ago her 98th birthday anniversary was celebrated by a party into which she entered with remarkable spirit.

Susannah, daughter of John G. and Mary Smith, was born October 10, 1805, which brought her age to 98 years one month and 18 days. Ten children, five sons and five daughters, blessed her union with John Bingeman, the five sons surviving, while the five daught, ers have passed to the great beyond. She is survived by five sons, 36 grandchildren, 35 great-grand-children and 32 great-great-grand-children.

Her husband preceeded her in death some twenty years. She was higly respected by all who were fortunate enough to know this dear lady."

D. B.

DAVISON.

MRS. E. E. DAVISON, aged 86 years, passed away last Friday, at Chambersburg, Pa., where she has resided for several years, desiring to be at her old home, where she resided for so many years and reared a large family of children. Deceased has been in feeble health for a long time, although her wonderful vilality kept up te the last. While a resident of Emporium, several years ago, she took an active part in church work, being a devout Presbyterian, and her many friends will sympathize with the family. The funeral took place on Sunday at Chambersburg and her remains were placed in the family lot beside her husband who died many years ago. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davison, Johnsonburg, and Mr. J. M. Davison, Emporium, were in attendance at the funeral of their mother.

Murderous Assult.

Editor Press:—

Last Saturday afternoon, about three miles from Cameron, a quarrel took place between N. H. Prentice and Chas. Pennington, employed on Whiting & Thomas' log job. As near as can be learned, Pennington owns a ferociou dog that jumped at Prentice as he passed by, which frightened him, Prentice, and caused the use of some emphatic language. Pennington took exceptions to his strong words and, grabbing a double bitted axe, struck at Prentice, inflicting a severe wound on his head, following the assult with a blow on the wounded man's back with the flat of the axe, felling Prentice to the ground. Regaining his feet Prentice attempted to defend his life from the frenzy of the infuriated man, when Pennington struck him another blow in the right breast, breaking three ribs. That he was not killed is a miracle. Pennington made his escape, or concealed himself from the infuriated woodsmen. Dr. H. W. Good was 'phoned for and reached the scene of the melee late at night, being taken from Cameron on one of Cameron Lumber Company's engines. The injured man was placed on the engine and brough to Cameron, where he is being cared for at Van Name's boarding house. We understand warrants have been issued for the arrest of Pennington.

LATER—A warrant was issued yesterday for the arrest of Pennington, who was taken before Justice Gentry at Sterling Run, on charge of "assault with intent to kill." In default of $2,500 bail the prisoner was confined in Emporium jail to await the action of the grand jury.

Dec. 7th, 1903. XXX.

Seriously Injured.

Miss Minnie Baurgelt, who is employed in one of Buffalo's leading department stores, had the misfortune to fall down a flight of stairs, seriously injuring her right arm. She will be brought to Emporium this evening to be cared for by her sister, Mrs. H. S. Lloyd.

The Masonic Banquet.

The elaborate Banquet given at the opera house last evening by Emporium Chapter and Emporium Lodge was the most enjoyable occasion ever participated in by the fraternity of this county. Covers were laid for 150. Promptly at 9:30 the fraternity met their wives and sweethearts at the Library and conducted them to the opera house, where the ladies of Emmanuel Episcopal Church under the leadership of Mrs. W. H. Howard and Mrs. Elizabeth Howasd, had in waiting a grand spread, the equal of which has never been witnessed in Emporium, viz:

MENU.

TANGIER OYSTERS,
SALTED ALMONDS AND PECANS,
OLIVES. GHERKINS. CELERY.

CREAM OF TOMATO SOUP,
ROLLED BREAD.

ROAST TURKEY, GIBLET SAUCE,
CRANBERRIES,
MASHED POTATOES. STEWED CORN,
SWEET POTATO CROQUETS.

GOAT (?) PUNCH.

CHICKEN SALAD,
NEUCHATEL CHEESE. WAFERS.

PLUM PUDDING,
INDIVIDUAL ICES, CAKE,
BON-BONS.

COFFEE. CIGARS.

The tables were beautifully decorated with the best of everything that added to the pleasure of the occasion. Eighteen of Emporium's most handsome young ladies served the elaborate menu in a prompt manner, yet it was mid-night when the Toast Master, Hon. I. K. Hockley, rapped the assemblage to order and choked off the big eaters, who were just getting ready for re-attack of the *menu*. The lateness of the hour and the fact that many were patiently awaiting the clearing of the floor for dancing, only a few were called on to respond to toasts. District Deputy G. M., Geo. A. Brown, of Lock Haven, was the first, responded eloquently and received a round of applause. District Deputy High Priest Jos. J. Lingle, Rev. O. S. Metzler, Mr. Josiah Howard, Mr. B. W. Green, Judge Geo. W. Huntley, Mr. Fred Julian, Mr. A. C. Blum, Chas. T. Logan, C. Jay Goodnough, John D. Logan, and many others made very appropriate remarks, which were highly entertaining. We regret that the hour of going to press will not allow us to make a more elaborate and proper account of the enjoyable occasion.

The festivities continued until about four o'clock this morning when all departed for their homes, declaring the Masonic fraternity the royal entertainers.

The music on the occasion, during the Banquet and for the ball, was furnished by Fisk & Stopper's orchestra, of Williamsport. To say that the music was grand would be putting it mild.

Too much credit cannot be given the retiring officers of Emporium Lodges for the success of this entertainment—especiall Mr. Joseph Kaye, the retiring Worshipful Master, who, personally, made the effort a great success.

Advertisers.

Our advertising patrons will confer a great favor if they will hand in their copy for Holiday Adnouncements early, that all may be given due attention, as well as good positions. We shall strive to give our patrons the usual satisfaction. Hand in your advs. —the earlier the better.

Harlem Music Co.

The above firm, doing business at No. 50, West 125th street, New York City, have succeeded their sub-tenants in the piano business and have added several well known makes of pianos to their stock, among which are a few of the following well known firms, Becher Bro's., Steinway, Sohmer, Haynes, etc., etc. Great bargains in pianos and musical instruments. The firm is composed of W. T. Seger and Ed. C. Seger, formerly of Emporium, and orders from PRESS readers will receive prompt attention.

Change in Positions.

Fred Tompkins, who for twelve years has been located at the Warner House, in charge of the sample rooms, has accepted and entered upon his duties as Steward at the Business Mens' Club. Geo. Hurteau, who has been Steward at the Club since the organization of that well conducted enterprise, has become day clerk at Warner House. Geo. Baxter takes the position in sample room, formerly so acceptably filled by Mr. Tompkins. Albert Murry is night clerk at Warner House. Quite a change all around. All hands seem pleased.

The Panama Question.

Editor Press:—

Will you kindly suffer a word or two of comment and query suggested by the recent developments in the situation at Panama?

One point that ought to be clearly understood is that the questions relating to the Panama Canal are not party questions; at least they cannot consistently be made party questions. So far as the desirableness of having a canal between the two oceans is concerned the two parties are united in recognizing it. For a century such a water way has been a cherished dream of the South and of farsighted leaders in the Democratic party.

So far as the recent course of the Administration in relation to Colombia and Panama is concerned, criticism upon it comes with poor grace from the party that inaugurated the course that resulted in Mexico being ultimately stripped of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah and parts of Colorado and Wyoming. It is true that Mexico was paid $25,000,000 for the territory mentioned (outside of Texas,) and was relieved of claims amounting to $3,500,000 more, but the fact remains that she was forced to sell at the point of our guns.

Before the Civil War the Democratic party took the lead in movements for national aggrandizement; now the leading part in such movement is taken by the Republican party. Really, therefore, in regard to all such matters there is no principle at issue between the two parties. The Democrats cannot criticise any of the acts of the late and present Republican administration in relation to foreign affairs, without thereby casting the gravest reflection upon the record of their own party during the thirties, forties and fifties. Indeed, the United States was responsible for the revolt of Texas in a way in which it does not appear that it has been responsible for the revolt of Panama and it profited by the revolt of Texas in a way in which it is not profiting, and will not profit, by the revolt of Panama. It has reaped no substantial benefit from the Panama revolution that it had not previously hoped to secure through negotiation from Colombia.

But it does seem that the time has come for us to examine anew our ideas with regard to when and when not revolt and secession are justifiable. Has our course in the past been a consistent one? We favored revolt and secession in 1776; we sympathize with the revolt of Mexico and the South American colonies against Spain; we abetted the secession of Texas from Mexico; we broke the integrity of Mexican territory in the forties; in 1898 we stripped Spain of her remaining colonies; and now, while we cannot be held responsible for the revolt of Panama against Colombia, we are not at all shocked by the occurrence, but on the contrary assume that Panama is justified in seceding, and we have lost no time in recognizing her independence and in negotiating a treaty for the furtherance of our cherished canal project. On the other hand we strongly opposed internal secession in the sixties, and dealt that principal a blow from which it will never recover. The right of any of our states to secede can never again come up as a practical question. Still, in the light of our complacent acceptance of the fact of secession in foreign countries, the query arises; On what principle of right did we compel the Southern states to remain in the Union?

Perhaps all that we can say is that circumstances alter cases; that there is no single fixed principle that can be followed in all cases; that beyond the conscious power of men at any particular time, and beyond the wisdom of our wisest statesmen, there presides a destiny, a shaping Providence, that overrules the tortuous and inconsistent ways of men tothe working out of some better thing for the humanity of the future. Certain it is that in the light of the present we can not wish the course of events in the past to have been reversed. We cannot wish that the revolt of 1776 had been quelled by the British armies; we cannot wish that our southwestern states and territories were to-day a part of Mexico; we cannot wish that the secession of the Southern states had been successful; we cannot wish that Spain were still in passessioo of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. And is it reasonable to suppose that the time will come when, in the light of its practical results, we shall ever regret the outcome of the recent events in the Isthmus of Panama?

J. M. R.

December 8, 1903.

Christmas in blast at Taggart's.

In Full Blast.

The Keystone Powder Company resumed operations on Monday, with a full quota of laborers. It was rapid work to rebuild the plant destroyed, yet the Keystone people were equal to the emergency and are now filling their orders for high explosives.

Where to Trade.

While consulting the advertising columns of the PRESS make a note of the fact and place where you desire to purchasr your Holiday presents. Our advertisers are reliable dealers and believe in doing business honestly with their patrons.

Big Gas Well.

The Clinton county gas well at Hyner is reported a big "gasser." The drilling of new wells is reported for the near future and a big gas field is liable to be developed. A line will be laid to Renovo and Lock Haven. Why not up the P. & E. R. R. ?

New Checking Station.

Last Saturday a "Hun" walked into the postoffice, lugging one of those beautiful steamer satchels, which he deposited in front of the astonished P. M., at M. O., window, with the exclamation, "Check Pittsburg." It required some of Mr Seger's best French before the Hun pulled down his sack and made haste for the depot.

Another Gas Proposition.

A party of reliable gas land owners express a willingness to lay a line to Emporium for domestic use, also furnish gas for manufacturing purposes at a low price (ten cents per thousand) provided a sufficient number of consumers be guaranteed and the right to pipe the streets be granted by the Borough authorities. Will the borough grant it?

Mr. Julian's Lecture.

Mr. Fred Julian's talk on "The Orient" was largely attended by our best people, in fact chairs were required to supply seats for the many who desired to hear the graphic description of Mr. Julian's tour of the world. In addition to his interesting description, he displayed many beautiful specimens of handiwork secured in the Orient. Those who failed to hear the lecture missed a treat.

The pipe organ prelude by Miss Grace A. Walker, was a pleasing feature, as was also the introductory remarks by the pastor, Rev. O. S. Metzler.

Guy Bro's. Minstrels.

Year after year these famous minstrel men add new features to their show, this season everything is absolutely new from start to finish. The grand military spectacular first part represents soldiers camping in the Philippines; you can hear the fife and drum in the distance, marching of the troops headed by the band. Choruses by the soldiers thinking of home, etc. The electric effects with colored lights makes it one of the prettiest settings ever introduced in minstrelsy. Don't miss this big show at the Opera House, Saturday night, December 12th. Prices 25, 35, 50 and 75. Reserved seats on sale at H. S. Lloyd's.

Hotel Cards in Japan.

To the Editor Cameron County Press:

While traveling through Japan, we were greatly amused at the odd sights we saw and the many curiously printed cards of hotels we read. I enclose you a sample of English, as it is printed on one or two hotel cards. I spent two days at the Uagoya Hotel and found the hotel first class in every respect, even if they did get things mixed some in our language. I thought perhaps your readers might be somewhat interested and pleased to read the ads: "The Gonikai Hotel, (Limited), Yamada, Ise., Japan. This Hotel, situated on the hill proximity to the Sharine of Ise, the commemoration of Imperial ancestry, and surrounded by the most picturesque scenery, it command the whole view of the city and bay of Ise. The travellers informing us their exact arrival before hand will be awaited by our interpreter at the station. Rooms are all furnished with latest appliance the excellent cuisine served at all hours. First-class for every respect."

Eye Specialist.

Prof. W. H. Budine, the well known Eye Specialist, of Binghamton, N. Y., will be at R. H. Hirsch's jewelry store, Emporium, Pa., December 11th and 12th. If you can't see well or have headache don't fail to call and see Prof. Budine, as he guarantees to cure all such cases. Lenses ground and fitted in old frames. Eyes tested and examined free. All work guaranteed.

WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Fair
SATURDAY, Fair.
SUNDAY, Fair.

OPERA HOUSE,
SATURDAY, Dec. 12th

Guy Bros. Minstrels

Everything New. Up-to-Date.

Grand Military Spectacular first part, representing Soldiers camping in the Philippines.

Best of Singers, Dancers, Acrobats and Comedians.

10—Solo Vocalists—10.

6—Funny End Men—6.

10—Big Specialties—10

Concert Orchestra.

Watch for the grand street parade.

Seats on sale at Lloyd's Book Store. Prices, 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents.

BRIEF MENTION.

WANTED:—Position as housekeeper. Box 391, Emporium, Pa.

Smoke the "W. H. Mayer" five cent Cigar. Union made. Sold by all dealers. 24-tf.

Smoke the "W. H. Mayer" five cent Cigar. Union made. Sold by all dealers. 24-tf.

Fine line of smoking tobacco as well as popular brands of chewing, at Cruice's Cigar Store.

Save your money for Christmos by purchasing clothing of N. Seger. Good goods much cheaper than many others sell them.

Hunting for a name for our new neighbors of the baby Republic what is the matter with "Panamanx" or "Panamax"?

The old reliable clothier N. Seger will sell you good goods for less money than you can get them elsewhere. Call and see him.

Choice line of five and ten cent Cigars, especially for our Holiday trade. Leave orders early. Union made.

JOHN CRUICE.

The finest wine ever drank by mortal man was given Pope Leo during his last days. It was 250 years old and worth $2,000,000 a bottle, $274,000 a glass or $200 at drop.—Ex.

Contemplated purchasers of Millinery Goods, Trimmed Hats, Fancy Goods etc., must not fail to call on Ludlum's near the Bank. Read their announcement in this issue.

The members of the Sons of Temperance, are requested to attend an oyster supper, Tuesday evening, Dec. 15th, eight o'clock, sharp. At the residence of Jos. Newton, West Allegany Ave.

E. D. Klock while killing a hog on Wednesday, had the misfortune to be painfully bitten in one of his figers by the hog. The Dr. removed the nail and dressed the finger.

If you will examine Taggart's five cent, ten cent and twenty-five cent table you will never go to the racket store or anywhere else for your holiday goods.

If you want something nice for a Christmas present for your husband or son why not purchase something in the clothing line. N. Seger is prepared to show you goods in this line that are a credit to any man.

Anything you may wish in the clothing and furnishing line at N. Seger's. Also some handsome suit cases and in fact anything you could wish for if you intend to made a visit this winter and we know the price he asks for these goods will surely sell them.

Lieut. Frank T. NcNarney, (brother of J. P. McNarney of this place) formerly of Pittsburg, now in the United States cavalry service in Dakota, has been notified by the War Department that he will be detailed as military instructor at any college in any State he may select where the post is vacant.

Cameron was aroused from its lethargy at 6:30 Friday morning, when Mrs. J. L Rockwell noticed moke and flames issuing from the r of the house occupied and used as a boarding house by Mrs. H. A. Stewart, butby the presence of mind and prompt action of Mrs Stewart and the Misses Orner and Summerson, the house was saved with but slight damage to the roof The fire was caused by a defective chimney.

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No local inserted for less than 75 cents per issue.

JOB PRINTING.

The Job department of the PRESS is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work. PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO LAW PRINTING.

No paper will be discontinued until arrearages are paid, except at the option of the publisher.

Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance.

All business or nearly all in New South Wales is conducted through "trade industrial unions." Up to March, 1903, 108 unions of employes and 82 unions of employers had been registered in the arbitration court. When a union has been duly registered it becomes amenable to the arbitration laws.

Several members of congress smoke pipes, but only one has nerve enough to do so in public. The exception is Senator William J. Stone, of Missouri, who rode down Pennsylvania avenue on a trolley car the other day smoking a short, black brier, and evidently getting a great deal of comfort out of his pipe.

A discovery of a large coal bed has been made in the mountains of the department of Yoro, in Honduras. The prospective coal field has been named "El Porvenir." Expert examination and test of several samples of the coal taken from or near the surface establish the claim that it cokes with excellent result.

The commercial relations between France and the United States continue to be thoroughly unsatisfactory, and must so continue as long as imports from the United States are dutiable, with a few exceptions, at the maximum rate of the tariff, while competing nations without important exception secure the minimum rate.

Prof. Albert Eulenberg, the well-known German neurologist, agrees with Dr. May Schiller's physician, that actors are more nervous than women. He thinks that the plays of Ibsen, Hauptmann and Bjornson are particularly injurious to them, and mentions the case of one actor who was utterly wrecked by one of the modern realistic plays.

Paris has revised a new mode of dueling for young women whose feelings have been ruffled. Two such recently decided that their honor demanded a duel. Having no weapons conveniently at hand, ingenuity came to the rescue. Each took off a stocking and filled it with sand. At last accounts the vanquished was reported in a hospital probably dying.

Agricultural scientists are unqualifiedly enthusiastic over the future of the Cashew nut, which grows in Porto Rico on a tree which attains a height of 40 feet. Roasted, no other nut can compare with it in delicious flavor in the opinion of David G. Fairchild, agricultural explorer for the United States. "Burnt almonds," said Mr. Fairchild, "are flat in comparison."

There is one feature in the work of the Carnegie institution which is of wide-spread importance, and that is the selection of 25 "research assistants," to each of whom is given a sum of $1,000 or $1,200. These "research assistants" are, for the most part, young persons who have already been well trained and are prepared to prosecute definite lines of investigation under the guidance of older, higher qualified leaders.

Recent excavations on the site of ancient Naucratis, on the delta of the Nile, have brought to light, among other things, a possible relic of Herodotus, to whose description of the luxurious Greek settlement we owe much of our knowledge of it. He visited the city in the latter part of the fifth century B. C. The relic in question is the base of a painted vase inscribed "Herodotou." This vase was found within the Hellenic precinct.

Mme. Takahira, wife of the Japanese minister to the United States, prefers American costumes to those of her sisters in the East. Madame is the only Oriental woman presiding over a legation at Washington. She is a dainty little lady, with the exquisitely delicate molding of the Japanese. She is scarcely five feet high, but graceful in her carriage and movements. She has learned to speak English fluently since her arrival in this country three years ago.

Not counting the navies the world's ships are 29,943 steam vessels and 12,182 sailing craft. Boys of 21 can remember when sails outnumbered steamers 100 to 1. The familiar expression "a fleet of forty sail" will have to walk the plank pretty soon. It may be "a fleet of forty screws," or "a fleet of forty propellers." England's part in the tonnage is over 16,000,000 and ours is 3,611,956. Germany comes next, with 3,283,247, then Norway, strange to tell, with 1,653,740.

THE PANAMA AFFAIR.

American Rights and Interests Justify the Chief Executive's Action.

When the people of Panama revolted against the venal and injurious control of Colombia it was inevitable that the United States should recognize the authority they might set up for themselves. There has not yet been a distinct and categorical recognition of an independent republic of Panama. There haz been only the anticipation of a de facto government which would be entitled to such treatment when it should be created, and meanwhile an acknowledgment that the provisional authorities of the revolutionists are the only authorities on the ground, says the Philadelphia Press.

What less could our government do? There is no representative or emblem of Colombian authority left in Panama. The only authority is that of the revolutionary force. It is in possession. It has already created a provisional government. What else can be dealt with? It will promptly establish a regular government. What else can be recognized? The full recognition is sure to come when an undisputed de facto government shall be in full control; and the measure of recognition which the president has extended was inevitable as soon as any matters came up which required dealing with the authorities in possession. The only question is whether the president has been unduly precipitate. We do not see that he has been. He has done only what would have been unavoidable soon at the latest, and his prompt and vigorous action has doubtless conduced to a speedy and peaceful solution.

It is said that our government has interposed in a conflict between a friendly republic and one of its own states, and that the interference is as unjustifiable as would have been the threatened European intervention in our civil war against which we so vigorously protested. But there is no parallelism between the two cases. Our relation to Colombia and the isthmian territory is wholly exceptional. We are bound by treaty to see that the traffic of the world across the Isthmus of Panama shall be free and open. For more than half a century we have discharged that duty. By virtue of it we have repeatedly put our hand on the isthmus. The president is entirely right in saying that we have not only a treaty obligation, but an obligation to civilization in the matter. We are trustee of the world of isthmian transit. That responsibility compels us to interpose in the present issue between Colombia and Panama. If we did not there would be a struggle which would obstruct and imperil the transit, and to allow this would be to renounce our obligation as protector.

The United States is the primate of this continent and in the common interest it exercises the right of primacy. It has protected American nations from European aggression. It has thrown the panoply of the Monroe doctrine around the continent. There has been a growing feeling in thoughful minds that the nature of our leadership required a larger degree of authority and influence over the relations of the countries which enjoy our protection. However this may ultimately work out, it is certain that we must be entirely secure in the territory which shall be traversed by the canal into which the United States will put many millions of dollars. The president is rightly taking thought and care on this point. In spite of the venality and stupidity of the conspirators at Bogota, the way is opening up for the construction of the Panama canal, and the president is acting for the American people in making the most of the opportunity.

PARAGRAPHIC POINTERS.

☞Reciprocity might serve as the missing democratic issue. As far as defined, republicans have no use for it. Free traders alone are crying for it.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

☞With a more than usual forethought, the democratic leaders in congress have decided to ascertain whether or not the Panama issue is loaded before they blow down the barrel.—Detroit Free Press (Ind.).

☞A democratic issue, when found, has a tendency to evaporate suddenly. Imperialism is a recent example. It went out so completely that even Edward Atkinson makes no sign.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

☞The story that Mr. Bryan and his friends have agreed to unite upon Richard Olney as their candidate for the presidential nomination next year is just a trifle less startling than would be a report that they had decided to concentrate on Grover Cleveland.—N. Y. World (Dem.).

☞Representative southern newspapers are very earnest in approval of the government's course with regard to Panama. The south wishes that isthmian canal completed, as it has a special interest in the business which will be opened up thereby, and it does not want to see a moment's delay longer than is necessary. If the democrats in congress who are talking of opposing the Panama programme expect in that way to make themselves "solid" with the solid south, they probably reckoning without their host.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

☞The young men who have taken a contract to split the republican party wide open seven days in the week and 52 weeks in the year, are hard at work, but the party continues to do business at the old stand.—Indianapolis Journal.

☞According to advices from Liverpool, Mr. Bryan, who was interviewed on landing at that port, said, speaking of the presidential election, that "he thought he would not again be a candidate, but that nothing as yet had been decided." This would appear to indicate that Mr. Bryan is contemplating the possibility of his running again.—Binghamton (N. Y.) Leader (Dem.).

MEN AND ISSUES LACKING.

The Democracy Is Without a Single Pretext for Being in Existence.

It is significant that when Representative Grosvenor the other day cited a list of states which would give the republicans 263 electoral votes for 1904 no democrat questioned its authenticity. The 25 states on the Ohio congressman's roll give the republicans 24 votes in excess of the number required to elect. These are the states which are cited as certain to declare for the republicans in the balloting. While there may have been democrats within sound of his voice who believed that some one or other of those states might have a chance to go to the democratic candidate, not one of these democrats doubted that the republicans would have more than enough votes to elect their ticket. No democrat anywhere who has any reputation for sanity predicts or thinks that his party will carry the country in 1904. Every man of any standing in the democratic party believes that President Roosevelt will be elected next year.

One of the reasons why no democrat questions the general presumption that the republican party will sweep the country in 1904 is that no democrat believes his side has either a man or an issue which can command the popular support. While several persons—Cleveland, Gorman, Hill, McClellan, Parker, Olney and others—have been mentioned in connection with the nomination, there is no enthusiasm in any quarter for any of them. The coterie of Cleveland idolaters go no farther than to say that he would come nearer to winning than any other democrat could. None of them imagines that he could get the 239 votes in the electoral college which would be required to elect him. Moreover, only a corporal's guard of democrats can be found anywhere who want him nominated, or who think that, if nominated, he would hold all the states which Bryan had in 1900. No interest is felt in Gorman outside of a few of the southern states. His race issue, which he thought would create a cyclone of enthusiasm for him in the south, excites only a mild sort of an interest, although a large majority of the democrats of the south are in favor of the negro extirpation which Gorman is understood to be ready to champion.

On issues there is as great a poverty among the democrats as there is on men. No democrat can say with any approach to confidence what his party will declare for in 1904. Gorman attempted to get the caucus of his party in his chamber to attack the president on the Panama question, but it broke away from him. He found that his followers were so discordant on that and on other questions that he despaired of being able to get unity of action among them on anything. Not a question is before the people of the United States that the democracy can unite on. Every issue that comes up between this time and the close of the long session of congress next summer the republicans will be able to get democratic votes on if those votes should be needed. On the Panama policy more democrats are on Roosevelt's side than are on Gorman's. All the southern members, with a few exceptions, can be relied on to aid the republicans in the administration's policy on the isthmus, if any aid should be needed. The canal treaty which the administration and the representatives of the republic of Panama have just framed will receive the support of many democrats in the senate. Neither an issue nor a man is in sight on the democratic side which can command any general interest among the members of that party. So far as regards the leading issues of republican policy, this is an era of good feeling for the country. Sensible democrats of all sections see this. This is the reason why predictions of big republican majorities in the electoral college of 1904 excite no dissent from democrats, for they realize that while these estimates may possibly err in details, they are mathematically correct on the main fact that republican sentiment is still at flood tide throughout the United States.

Nothing Slow About Them.

Speaking of "quick action," there is certainly nothing slow about the president and Secretary Hay, when it comes to taking advantage of any situation that may arise, and getting out of it all there is in it for the American people. The world has scarcely realized that there has been a revolution in Panama, but within two weeks the new republic has been recognized, its minister has been received in Washington, and a new canal treaty has been threshed out, licked into shape and signed. When anything is to be done it may as well be done at once, and, so long as good judgment is exercised, the quicker the better. Now, if the senate will only become imbued with the same spirit of energy and realize a good thing when it sees it—and realize it quickly—there is no good reason why work on this long-deferred and much-needed canal should not begin speedily.—Indianapolis Journal.

☞Bryan expresses surprise that people in England should have recognized him. As like the Bourbons, he never changes, any recognition could not be very difficult anywhere. He will be lucky if the people abroad don't get to know him too well.—Philadelphia Press.

☞The democrats are uncertain as to the attitude they should assume toward the Cuban question, which means, of course, that they will keep their eyes open for political issues. If the republican senators are likely to approve the president's recommendations, the democrats will probably take the other side.—Cleveland Leader.

BUBBLE BURSTED.

Dr. Dowie's Zion City in the Hands of Receivers.

Financial Difficulties Overwhelm the Self-Styled "Elijah III"—He Appeals to His Followers to Sell Their Property and Help God's Church Work.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Financial difficulties which began during the crusade of John Alexander Dowie, the self-styled "Elijah III," and his restoration host to New York a month ago and which have been rapidly increasing since Dowe's return culminated last night in the federal courts taking possession of all the property controlled by Dowie in Zion City, Ill. This town, which was founded two years ago by Dowie, has a population of over 10,000, is the general headquarters for Dowie's church and is said to represent an expenditure of $20,000,000.

Fred M. Blount, cashier of the Chicago national bank, and Albert D. Currier, a law partner of Congressman Boutelle, were appointed receivers of the property. Their bonds were fixed at $100,000 by Judge Kohlsaat, of the United States district court, who made the appointment on the petition of several creditors.

The bankruptcy proceedings against Dowie were based on the allegation that he is insolvent and that while in this financial condition he committed an act of bankruptcy by making a preferential payment, on November 2, to the E. Streetor Lumber Co. for $3,770. Dowie has been hard pressed by his creditors, especially since it was announced that his recent mission to New York had proved unsuccessful financially.

Dowie accumulated a large sum as the head of the Christian Catholic church, the assets of the organization being estimated at between $20,000,000 and $30,000,000. There was a large outlay of money, however, when Zion City was started. Then lace and costly candy industries were started, and as both of these ventures have never been paying investments a great deal more money was tied up. Dowie's differences with his brother-in-law, Stevenson, over the management of the lace factory cost more than $100,000 and other suits recently begun in Lake county by creditors are said to aggregate a large sum.

Last Wednesday Dowie's first confession of weakness was made at a rally in the tabernacle at Zion City.

"A lot of you people have cash in your pockets," Dowie said to his followers. "Dig down and get it out. It is God's and we need it in his work. You're cowards if you don't give it up."

Dowie talked in the same strain for more than an hour, tears glistening on his cheeks as he told of the financial straits in which the Zion industries found themselves.

Instead of frightening many into depositing, this appeal sent a long line of people to the bank on Friday, when they lined up at the paying teller's window drawing out their money. Less than $3,000 was deposited in the bank on Friday, while the amount withdrawn was twice as much.

Yesterday Dowie asked the members of Zion more urgently than ever for money. He declared that he must have $500,000 without delay. This sum, he said, he was willing to take in short loans, but that they must be forthcoming immediately. In the efforts to remedy the condition of affairs at Zion City hundreds of letters were sent out to Dowie's followers in other parts of the country.

In these letters, in which glowing prospects of Zion City's future were painted, and in which Dowie himself is quoted as praying that all those who believe in him will "follow the Lord," all Dowieites are urged—almost commanded—to sell their farms, stores and everything else and come at once to Zion City and take up the work of the church. All of those who have money in banks near where they now live were asked to draw that money out of the banks and send it for deposit at Zion City.

Last night the receivers and their attorneys called upon Dowie and read to him the petition and order of court which placed Zion in the hands of a receiver.

The order of court issued compels Dowie to appear in court December 11.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—A great gathering of the Dowieites was held in the tabernacle at Zion City last night. It was called by Dowie for the purpose of starting a fund of $1,000,000 with which to pay off all the indebtedness that hangs over Zion City and himself. The outpouring of his followers was not one to bring cheer to the heart of the general overseer of Zion.

Dowie gave to his followers a statement of the financial situation of Zion City, told them that the assets were ample, the only trouble being that he was not able to realize upon them at once. All he needed was a contribution of ready money with which to tide over the present crisis in the affairs of the city and, this once done, Zion would grow to greater power than ever before.

"We want $1,000,000," he said "and I want the faithful here in Zion City to contribute half of that sum. I want it now; tonight."

The collection taken up is said to have amounted to less than $1,000.

Accepted Carnegie's Gift.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—City councils committee on free libraries yesterday voted to accept from Andrew Carnegie the gift of $1,500,000 for the building of 30 branch libraries in this city. The gift was contingent on the city furnishing the sites, appropriating 10 per cent. of the total cost of the libraries for maintenance and purchasing the books. There was spirited opposition to the acceptance of the money because it made necessary an annual appropriation of about $150,000 to maintain the libraries.

A BRAVE MAN.

Boatswain Deery, who Saved the Torpedo Boat Adder, will be Commended to the President for Performing an Heroic Feat.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 5.—The naval tug Peoria, towing the submarine torpedo boat Adder, has arrived at the navy yard here. The Adder was saved by the heroism of Boatswain Deery, who responded to a call for volunteers and swam 100 yards with a line to the Adder from the tug and pulled a hawser after him. The Moccasin is ashore at Currituck and appears to be only slightly damaged. The Adder is leaking badly.

When Boatswain Deery responded to the call for a volunteer to swim to the Adder, a 34-mile gale, with mountainous seas, was crashing over the Peoria and burying the drifting submarine boats beneath tons of water. Deery, with a slender line fastened around his waist, plunged into the ocean and battled with wind and tide for a full hundred yards, finally reaching the Adder and gaining her deck. There he hauled a thick hawser aboard by means of the lifeline and made it fast.

At this time the Adder was being tossed about like a cork one minute, and driven far beneath the surface the next, rolling and wallowing in such a manner as to make it almost impossible to retain a position upon her scanty decking, but Deery held on and accomplished his work. Then he went back to the tug hand over hand on the hawser.

It is said at the navy yard that Boatswain Deery will be commended at once to the president for bravery.

Lieut. English, commander of the Peoria, says the little boats towed very well until they were just off the Virginia capes.

There the heavy seas running at the time proved too much for the frail towing bits of the Adder, which was towing first, following the tug. They snapped short and the two submarine vessels went adrift.

The Peoria sought to catch them, but they drifted southward before the wind rapidly. There were only the broken bits on which to get a hold, so the tug could only run in between them and keep them from bumping together.

The seas were running entirely too high for the tug to run alongside the boats, and it would have been suicidal to have lowered a boat. All the Peoria could do, therefore, was to keep the boats apart.

All night this continued and then the line between the boats snapped.

It was then that Boatswain Deery, who comes from Brooklyn, performed his heroic act in a last attempt to save the boats. After he had made fast his line to the Adder and succeeded at the risk of his life in regaining the tug, consideration was given to anchoring the Moccasin, but it was seen that it would be impossible to anchor her. The tug could handle only one of the boats in the heavy seas. The Yankton appeared and the Moccasin was left to her, while the Peoria fought her way up the coast with the Adder.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Prices of Commodities Average 2 Per Cent. Less than a Year Ago.

New York, Dec. 5.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Trade is seasonably quiet, except in the lines affected by weather and those embracing holiday goods, which are in good demand. Activity is especially conspicuous among footwear jobbers and retailers. Commodities are generally lower in price, although a few important articles such as cotton, eggs and dairy products have risen sharply. For the year there is a decline of about 2 per cent.

Manufacturing conditions are still irregular, the best symptom of the week being the steadiness of iron and steel. Textile mills still find it difficult to secure prices in proper ratio to the raw material, the violent advance in cotton adding to the embarrassment of spinners who have only limited supplies on hand. Railway earnings in three weeks of November were 4.8 per cent larger than a year previous.

Several encouraging reports are received regarding the iron and steel situation. In most cases the proposed reductions in wages have met with no opposition and such business as comes forward is handled without interruption. Another good sign is that the past week has brought no further reductions in prices. Steel mills have received several fair contracts for structural shapes and railway supplies.

Failures this week were 331, against 204 for the corresponding week last year.

Judge Springer Dies.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Ex-Representative William M. Springer, of Illinois, a democratic leader conspicuous in the house of representatives during the Forty-fourth to Fifty-third congresses, inclusive, and once chairman of the ways and means committee of the house, died at his residence in this city Friday, aged 64 years. His death was due to pneumonia contracted in Chicago Thanksgiving day.

Six Deaths from Fever.

Butler, Pa., Dec. 5.—Only 11 new cases of typhoid fever were reported to the board of health Friday, but more deaths occurred than in any previous day since the epidemic commenced, the number being six, which makes the total to date 43. Last evening eight nurses and four doctors arrived from the western end of the state.

A Warning to Englishmen.

London, Dec. 4.—The Board of Trade Journal for December prints a warning to British manufacturers from Seymour Bell, the British commercial agent in the United States, prophesying an extensive invasion of British markets by American firms in the near future. Mr. Bell writes that the decreasing demand in the United States for many classes of manufactured goods indicates that American firms will soon be looking abroad for markets in which to dispose of their surplus products at almost any price.

CURIOUS FOOD COMPOUND.

Old Bones, Alum, Flint and Sulphuric Acid for Raising Bread.

Housekeepers have recently been solicited by some of the grocers and by peddlers to try another kind of baking powder—"cheaper and just as good," as they say. This is another scheme of some baking powder manufacturer to get a new brand on the market by offering the grocer a large profit. Housekeepers are not usually much benefited by such changes. Alum baking powders are generally low priced, but they are well known to be detrimental to health. Large quantities of one of them were recently seized in New York, being found to be largely composed of sharp-pointed grains of ground flint and sulphuric acid!

Most of the so-called phosphate powders are mixed with alum. The manufacturer of a phosphate powder has patented the process of making the principal ingredient of his powder from bones digested with sulphuric acid.

Housekeepers do not want such mixtures in their food. They should never encourage peddlers nor admit testers or alleged experimenters in food within their doors, and when buying baking powder should get a brand well known to be made of cream of tartar, which is a healthful product of the grape.

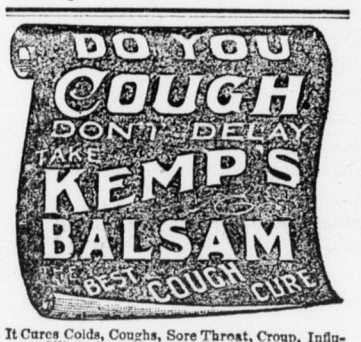
CHICKEN LASSO.

New Invention Being Tried in the Commission District of Cleveland, O., Meeting with Great Success.

Chicken lassos are the latest. The inventor is a well-known man in the commission district, of Cleveland, O., and his device has become popular among the handlers of poultry in that locality. All dealers are supplied and farmers will be quick to adopt them.

A chicken hunt is a daily occurence in the commission district. It is a common sight to see a crowd of men and boys running down Broadway, over wagons, through yards and over fences, after cackling hens, turkeys or ducks. The race continues for blocks, and sometimes lasts for hours before the fugitives are caught.

But the evil has been corrected, and it is now an easy thing to capture the fowls. The new invention is a stiff wire, ten or 12 feet long, with a long narrow hook about the size of a chicken's leg at the end. The operator stealthily approaches the fowl, hooks it by the leg, and draws it in as an angler would a fish, then it is carried back in triumph to its coop.



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OUR NAVY GROWS.

During the Past Year 25 Ships Were Added to It.

Secretary Moody's Report Shows that There are 27,000 Men in the Service, 80 per cent. of Whom are Natives—Improvement in Marksmanship.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Secretary of the Navy Moody in his annual report says:

It is gratifying to note that the percentage of citizenship in the enlisted force of the navy is steadily growing. The number of enlisted men in the service June 30, 1903, including petty officers, seamen and other ratings, landsmen for training, and apprentices, was 27,245. Of this number, 79.8 per cent. were native born and 10.9 per cent. naturalized citizens, the total percentage of citizenship being, therefore, 90.7 per cent., as compared with 89 per cent. at the beginning of the fiscal year.

The effective force of the navy was increased during the fiscal year by the addition of 25 new vessels. These vessels were the battleship Maine, the four harbor defense monitors, Arkansas, Nevada, Florida and Wyoming; twelve torpedo boat destroyers; one torpedo boat, and seven submarine boats. Since the close of the fiscal year, and therefore not included in this enumeration, additional vessels have been accepted as follows: One protected cruiser, the Cleveland; one torpedo boat destroyer, the Macdonough. Aside from the foregoing vessels which were built for the navy, there were transferred from the army the transports Hancock and Lawton, which have been fitted up for use as receiving ships, and the hospital ship Relief, and from the treasury department the schooner Eagre.

During the fiscal year two vessels were dropped from the navy, the iron tug Leyden, which was wrecked, and the iron paddle-wheel gunboat Monocacy, condemned as unserviceable, and later sold.

The chief of the bureau of ordnance reports that "all guns afloat are in good condition, and all vessels in commission are fully equipped and ready for immediate service." The armament for the battle ships Maine and Missouri, and the four harbor defense monitors Arkansas, Florida, Nevada and Wyoming has been completed and installed on board, and that for the Ohio is in readiness for installation.

A total of 487,036 tons of coal, at a cost of $2,435,168.37, an average of about $5 per ton, was purchased for the use of the navy at home and abroad during the past year. The amount of coal actually used was 27 per cent. greater than during the preceding year, while its cost was 16 per cent. less per ton. The relative amount of foreign coal used decreased from 23 to 21 per cent. of the entire coal consumption.

The centralization of control and uniformity in the manner of carrying out target practices has resulted in placing the ships in practical competition with each other in the matter of straight shooting, and our marked improvement is due, in part at least, to this cause. Competition is the life of all games and is essential to skill in any sport. It is the incentive for all athletic training. We have simply utilized these human traits in the training of our gun pointers and gun crews. Gun crews now are practically teams, and target practices are contests between them.

The interest and enthusiasm displayed in the present system of training has been universal with both officers and men throughout the service and the spirit of competition has been marked. The most commendable energy and zeal has been displayed by gunnery and division officers in developing the team work of their gun crews and rectifying certain minor defects in the ordnance material which were discovered by the improved skill in gunnery. Special credit is due turret officers for the very marked decrease in the loading interval of heavy guns.

Our present great gun target is a piece of canvas 17 feet high by 21 feet wide, the range is nearly a mile, and only holes in the canvas count as hits. Guns are fired singly, and are allowed a certain time in which to make all the hits they can, and the gun making the most hits wins.

Yale Wins in Debate.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 5.—Yale won the annual inter-collegiate debate in Woolsey hall with Harvard last night. The judges were: Gen. F. V. Greene, New York City; John G. Milburn, Buffalo, and President Faunce, of Brown University. Their decision was unanimously in favor of Yale upon all points to be considered, as to argument, manner of presentation and logic of construction. The question under discussion was: "Resolved, that the history of trade unionism in the United States for the past 20 years shows a tendency detrimental to the best interests of the country." Yale sustained the affirmative.

McCarthy's Sentence.

New York, Dec. 5.—Timothy McCarthy, the walking delegate of the Housesmiths' and Bridgemen's union, who was convicted of extortion, was yesterday sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary on Blackwell's Island.

Industrial War in Illinois.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Industrial war has broken out in the Fox River valley in northern Illinois. Manufacturers at Batavia, Aurora, Elgin, St. Charles and Geneva have organized and have decided to increase the hours of labor from nine to ten. The first notice was served by manufacturers at Batavia and 350 machinists quit work there Friday. The wage earners are united and will resist this attempt to add to the hours of labor without increase in pay. The manufacturers in the organization employ, it is stated, 10,000 wage earners.

MITCHELL SUED FOR $85,000.

Colorado Coal Barons Adopt a New Line of Policy—Militiaman Arrested as a Spy.

Trinidad, Col., Dec. 4.—President John Mitchell and the national organizers and officials of district No. 15 yesterday resumed the coal strike conference. It is reported that if the operators refuse to grant a conference, or in the event that a conference is granted and no amendment is reached, it is the intention of the mine workers' officials to tie up all Colorado mining industries in a sympathetic strike if possible.

Mr. Mitchell and other mine workers were served yesterday with papers in a damage suit for $85,000 filed by the Victor Fuel Co.

Denver, Col., Dec. 4.—Delos A. Chappell, president of the Victor Fuel Co., and F. J. Hearne, president of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., had a conference Thursday to agree upon a line of action to be pursued in respect to any proposition that may be received from the United Mine Workers looking to the settlement of the strike in southern Colorado.

It was definitely decided to reject the proposition which, they were informed, had been agreed upon at the conference at Trinidad between President Mitchell and the district officials to call off the strike if the operators will grant an eight-hour day, recognition of the union being waived. It also was practically decided to reject any other proposition that may come from the United Mine Workers.

"Our course is fully determined upon," said Mr. Chappell. "We have nothing whatever to do with Mr. Mitchell and his colleagues."

Frank Wakeman, a private in Co. K, at Goldfield, Cripple Creek, has been arrested as a spy. He is now in the military prison awaiting trial by a court-martial.

Cripple Creek Under Martial Law.

Denver, Dec. 5.—Gov. Peabody on Friday issued a proclamation declaring Cripple Creek under martial law and suspending the writ of habeas corpus. He declares that the gold camp is in a state of insurrection and rebellion and that the civil authorities are powerless.

Wholesale arrests of strikers suspected of implication in the Vindicator explosion and other cases of violence will be made today. The "bull pen" will be enlarged so as to accommodate several hundred prisoners.

Cripple Creek, Dec. 5.—C. G. Kennisson, Sherman Parker and W. F. Davis, the executive committee of the Western Federation of Miners of this district, against whom informations were filed charging murder and conspiracy to murder, are now confined in the county jail. Their bail has been fixed at $15,000 each. The accused men say they court the fullest investigation, and assert that the charges against them have been trumped up to get them out of the way.

GEN. WOOD'S CASE.

Ray Stannard Baker Testifies Concerning the Magazine Article Reflecting Upon Gen. Brooke's Administration of Cuban Affairs.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The senate committee on military affairs yesterday resumed its hearing in connection with charges filed against Gen. Leonard Wood in opposition to his confirmation as major general.

Ray Stannard Baker, the man whom Maj. Runcie said was at the dinner with Gen. Wood and himself when the proposed magazine article criticising Gen. Brooke was discussed, was a witness.

Mr. Baker confirmed some portions of the testimony of Maj. Runcie and contradicted or qualified other portions of it. He denied that there had been any consultation between himself and Gen. Wood relative to the publication of Runcie's article reflecting upon the administration of Gen. Brooke. He said, however, that he had talked with Gen. Wood regarding an article which was subsequently published over his own signature.

Concerning the article which was published over the signature of Maj. Runcie, Mr. Baker said it had been given him by Runcie, but that so far as he knew Gen. Wood had had no knowledge of it previous to its publication. He said he had taken dinner with Gen. Wood and Runcie several times at Santiago, but that the publication of an article attacking Gen. Brooke had never been the subject of conversation.

IN A DENSE FOG.

The British Warship Flora Strikes a Rock.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 4.—H. M. S. Flora went on the rocks in a dense fog yesterday near Village Point, Denman Island, the place where the collier Williamette went ashore several years ago.

The Flora was going at a high rate of speed when she struck, her bow being driven on the rocks with a crash which shook seamen from their feet and shivered the big cruiser from end to end. The sea rushed in quickly through the open scuppers and soon the after part of the vessel was below water. The officers were driven from their quarters and were only able to save what few things they could carry in their hands. Much damage has been done at the bow and the vessel, which is worth $1,250,000, is believed to be a total wreck.

Roosevelt and Ware Will Speak.

Washington, Dec. 4.—A committee representing Post No. 9, G. A. R., of the Department of Pennsylvania, consisting of W. H. Bayly, John A. Swope and Louis D. Wine, yesterday invited the president to deliver the principal address on the Gettysburg battlefield next Memorial day, May 30, 1904. Some negotiations had preceded the presentation of the formal invitation and President Roosevelt informed the committee that he would accept. It is announced that Eugene F. Ware, commissioner of pensions, also will deliver an address on the same occasion.

POSTAL SERVICE.

Report of Gen. Bristow for the Past Year.

Number of Postoffices Aggregate 74,169—Total Number of Cities Having Free Delivery, 1,032—Number of Rural Free Delivery Routes, 19,398.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The annual report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, makes the following recommendations:

An appropriation to construct inspectors' lookouts in postoffices wherever necessary in the opinion of the postmaster general; that the inter-state law be amended so as to prohibit common carriers from aiding and abetting in the green goods, lottery or any other scheme carried on partly by mail and partly by common carrier, in violation of the postal laws; that special agents and route inspectors be hereafter designated as rural agents; that the provision that rural carriers shall not be prohibited from doing an express package business be repealed; that the maximum salary of a rural carrier be increased to $750 per annum for a route of 25 miles or more in length, and the enactment of a law requiring assistant postmasters, cashiers and other employes to give bonds to postmasters direct and holding postmasters responsible under their own bonds.

The estimated expenditure for both city and rural free delivery service during the fiscal year beginning July 1, next, will aggregate about $47,000,000. There were 15,061 appointments of postmasters during the year and the removals of postmasters for cause showed a decrease. There were 4,462 postoffices discontinued, of which 2,163 resulted from the extension of rural free delivery, the salaries of the postmasters of the latter offices aggregating $121,332.

On July 1, last, there were 74,169 postoffices, of which 242 were first class, 1,107 second class, 360 third class and 69,130 fourth class. City free delivery service was established at 99 postoffices, making a total of 1,032 free delivery offices.

There are in operation 19,398 rural free delivery routes. It is estimated that 3,260 additional routes can be established out of the appropriation now available, making 22,678 which will be in operation or ordered established by March 1, 1904. To maintain the service on these routes during the fiscal year from July 1, 1904, to June 30, 1905, will require $13,560,000.

If congress provides for an increased number of agents as recommended, it will require about $19,000,000 to maintain and install the service during the next fiscal year.

If the maximum salary of the carriers is increased from $600 to $750 per annum, as recommended, it will necessitate an increase in the above estimates of about 25 per cent.

Mr. Bristow's report further says: "An investigation, which is still in progress, has shown that for a number of years supplies for the free delivery service have not been purchased with an eye single to the public interests. Both in the matter of quality and the cost of equipment the ruling consideration has been private gain. This applies to articles furnished under regular contract, such as street collection boxes and carriers' satchels, as well as to those bought in the open market under the exigency privilege, which has been much abused.

"Favored contractors, abetted by a trusted but unfaithful official, have corrupted the public service. An early and thorough reformation will be undertaken along the line of service equipment, with the prospective result of improved service at reduced cost. Fraudulent contracts have been abrogated. In the re-letting of contracts honest competition will have fair play."

Roosevelt and Hanna Confer.

Washington, Dec. 5.—An important conference was held at the White House last night between the president and Senator Hanna. As Senator Hanna left the White House he was besieged by newspaper men who desired to learn the result of the conference. He declined to make any statement. "I spent a very pleasant evening," he admitted finally. "That is about all there is to it. You can say, however, that all those stories about wide differences between the president and myself are absurd."

Odell's Statement.

New York, Dec. 3.—Gov. Odell held two conferences yesterday with Senator T. C. Platt and Chairman Dunn, of the republican state committee. Subsequently the governor made a statement in which he said they had arrived at a conclusion that was satisfactory to all and added: "There is no reason for any friction in the party. We are only actuated by a common desire for party success and increased votes and propose unitedly to work to that end."

Signed the Treaty.

Panama, Dec. 3.—The canal treaty was signed yesterday. The treaty as approved and signed by the Panama junta will be promptly returned to Minister Bunau-Varilla at Washington. To insure its safe and prompt transmission without interference by officials anywhere, the treaty will be entrusted to Consul General Gudger, at Panama, who will forward it to Washington.

A University in Ashes.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 3.—The Ottawa University in this city was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday. All that remains of the magnificent stone building, which was one of the sights of the eastern part of the city, are portions of the walls. The loss is estimated at $250,000, partly covered by insurance. It will be two years before it can be rebuilt and meantime it will be impossible to get a place suitable to carry on the work of the institution. There were 450 student at the university, which was a Roman Catholic institution. A library of 30,000 volumes was destroyed.

WHY MONEY IS LOST IN MINING INVESTMENTS.

Washington, D. C.—(Special.)—Mr. E. M. Farr, well known in Washington, and whose investments in mining stock have been uniformly successful, was interviewed recently at Colonial Hotel, where he lives, on the reasons why mining investments often turn out badly. "Many most widely advertised properties are worthless," he said, "yet people take 'flyers' in them without even knowing if the titles are perfect. Would they do this in real estate? 'Flyers' in mining stock are out of place. Any mining stock worth investing in is good for an investment of five hundred dollars. Buy from the company direct, where the stock can be purchased cheapest and the money be used to develop the property. Don't buy from fiscal agents or outside brokers, young man, nor spend money in developing prospects when you can buy into large well-developed mines which will speedily become dividend-payers. Don't be caught by names of prominent men, loaned for blocks of stock. Investors sometimes list their stock with brokers to make a quick profit. No large returns or permanent incomes can be secured unless the stock is held until the property is a dividend-payer. Cecil Rhodes, the African mining multi-millionaire, once said: 'Less money is lost proportionately in mining than in any other business in this world and larger fortunes are made in mining and in mining stock than in any other business or investment on earth. A good mining stock will pay 20 to 100 per cent. more easily than municipal, railway or government bonds will pay five per cent.' Learn if the business is legitimately conducted and dividends are assured? Are the managers experienced men and utilizing the capital to secure the largest returns? Is it worked for minerals or for selling stock?"

"Have you any companies in mind that fulfill these conditions," Mr. Farr was asked. "Yes," promptly replied that gentleman, with a smile, "I know of at least two."

A GENEROUS PROPOSITION

William A. Clark, of Montana, Will Give 1,150,000 Acres of Rich Land to Citizens of State Unless Congress Opens Strip for Settlement.

The gift in fee simple of 1,150,000 acres of as fine agricultural and grazing land as there is on the American continent to the people or citizens of a single state is a proposition so stupendous as to cause one to think of an "Arabian Nights" story. Yet this is what William A. Clark, United States senator from Montana, plans in case the bill which has long been before congress throwing open for settlement a strip of the Crow reservation, 75 miles east of Billings, in the counties of Yellowstone, Rosebud and Custer, Montana, and Sheridan, Wyoming, containing the land mentioned, fails of passage at the next session of congress.

Senator Clark, whose wealth is estimated at nearly $200,000,000 has gone over all the ground contemplated in the proposed Crow treaty, it being his wish that every detail in connection thereby be made plain to him in order that he may be able to present the claim of the people of Montana as forcibly as it can be presented to congress, and he says that unless favorable action be had on the bill he will procure the enactment of a law empowering him to make a personal treaty with the Crow Indians, and he will buy the tract outright on his own personal responsibility.

This purpose of Senator Clark was recently communicated to Chief Plenticues, of the Crows, who immediately summoned a council of the head men of his tribe, and the proposition was thoroughly discussed, resulting in ready acquiescence on the part of the council in the proposed scheme.

The execution of Senator Clark's purpose will cost him something over $2,000,000. This to him would be a mere bagatelle, yet it would enable thousands of American homeseekers to rise up and as one man and acclaim: "Great is Clark! Long live our benefactor!"

This is one of the most valuable strips of agricultural land there is in the country, and it is Senator Clark's intention, if he has to buy the tract, to have incorporated in the special act, empowering him to do so, a clause absolving him from any claim to the land whatever. It is his intention, he says, to make it a fee simple presentation to his countrymen, without regard to race, color or previous condition of servitude.

Dog "Mothers" Birds.

Vic, a setter dog owned by Councilman W. F. Harrison, of Bloomfield, N. J., has adopted a brood of game chickens, and has supplanted their natural mother. The young birds pay no attention to anyone but Vic, and it is no unusual sight to see half a dozen of the chickens perched on the dog's back riding around the yard.

Chance for Old Maids.

They want more women at Seattle, Wash., where a good many men who would be willing to get married can't find wives. Let the Massachusetts school ma'ams take the hint now, says the Chicago Record-Herald, or else forever hereafter hold their peace.

A Good Combination.

Homer Waite and Bertha Hope were married in Minnesota the other day. Waite and Hope ought to make both a cheerful and promising combination.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

It is mostly the women who are the gamesters: the men only the cards.—Thomas Hardy.

To write a check is one thing, to have it honored depends on a variety of circumstances.—Anthony Hope.

Rudolf Virchow's statue in Berlin stands near the place where most of his scientific discoveries were made.

Lieut. Gov. Guild, of Massachusetts, has added a full set of Filipino daggers of quaint design to his collection of weapons.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT

To Prove What Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney Remedy, Will do for YOU, Every Reader of Our Paper May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, therefore, when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, fatal results are sure to follow.

Your other organs may need attention—but your kidneys most, because they do most and need attention first.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because as soon as your kidneys begin to get better they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince any one.

The mild and immediate effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. Swamp-Root will set your whole system right, and the best proof of this is a trial.

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Dear Sirs: Oct. 15th, 1903.

"I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand; my former strength and power had left me; I could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was giving out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, but would not have paid any attention to it, had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine asserting that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am seventy years and four months old, and with a good conscience I can recommend Swamp-Root to all sufferers from kidney troubles. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for four different kidney diseases, with the same good results."

With many thanks to you, I remain,
Very truly yours,
ROBERT BERNER.

You may have a sample bottle of this famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, postpaid, by which you may test its virtues for such disorders as kidney, bladder and uric acid diseases, poor digestion, when obliged to pass your water frequently night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, head ache, back ache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, diabetes, bloating, irritability, wornout feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion, or Bright's disease.

If your water, when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling, or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

Swamp-Root is the great discovery of Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist. Hospitals use it with wonderful success in both slight and severe cases. Doctors recommend it to their patients and use it in their own families, because they recognize in Swamp-Root the greatest and most successful remedy.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is for sale the world over at druggists in bottles of two sizes and two prices—fifty-cent and one-dollar. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

EDITORIAL NOTICE—If you have the slightest symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble, or if there is a trace of it in your family history, send at once to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., who will gladly send you by mail, immediately, without cost to you, a sample bottle of Swamp-Root, and a book containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured by Swamp-Root. In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say that you read this generous offer in this paper.

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Feel well tomorrow

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EXPENSIVE DEARS.

The Kind That Are Fond of Fine Clothes and Other Articles of Adornment.

The fish commission in San Francisco is frequently in receipt of ridiculous communications from people of the interior who have vague ideas of the functions of the bureau, says a local exchange. A retired merchant from one of the hill towns, desiring to devote his spare time to the study of zoology, sent the following letter of inquiry to Prof. Charles A. Vogelsang:

"I am interested in natural history and want to get hold of a dear for scientific purposes. Do you know where I can buy one? If so, get a good one and express it in a box c. o. d., together with a permit for keeping same. One of the common varieties will do. I will pay all expenses."

After pondering over the communication for some time Herr Vogelsang dispatched the following reply:

"Dears of all kinds are abundant in this neck of the woods, and if you are not particular as to color or breed I can easily comply with your request. Most of them would object, however, to being sent in a box by express. If you will agree to assume the cost of perpetual maintenance, I will promise to send ou a dear who will be useful, both for scientific study and for housekeeping. I am not authorized by the laws of the state to issue such permits as you require, but you may get them from the county clerk. I await your reply with eagerness."

ANOTHER LIFE SAVED.

Mrs. G. W. Fooks, of Salisbury, Md., wife of G. W. Fooks, Sheriff of Wicomico County, says: "I suffered with kidney complaint for eight years. I felt tired and weak, was short of breath and was troubled with bloating after eating, and my limbs were badly swollen. One doctor told me it would finally turn to Bright's disease. I was laid up at one time for three weeks. I had not taken Doan's Kidney Pills more than three days when the distressing aching across my back disappeared, together with the other symptoms."

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EDITORIAL MENTION.

President Lincoln's walking stick was sold recently at public auction in New York for $145.

In order not to be outdone by Panama, Colombia now offers to give us the canal rights free. Too late.

Senator Lodge has introduced a bill in Congress barring out all immigrants over 15 years old who cannot read and write English.

The Dreyfus affair is about to be reopened in France, owing to the recent discovery of several forged documenis used in the former trials.

Senator Gorman's attitude on the race question is not approved by the Northern democrats, who are now talking of Judge Parker, Hearst or Olney for the democratic nomination.

Senator Depew says he would like to see William Randolph Hearst nominated by the democratic party, but does not explain that it is because he will be the easiest man to beat.

William J. Bryan recently took lunch with Joseph Chamberlain, but as the former colonel secretary probably never read the commoner's remarks on the Boer War, he did not appreciate the humor of the situation.

Senator Morgan made a violent attack on the President's Panama policy and Senator Carmack tried to radicule the Cuban reciprocity bill, yet the democratic party does not dare oppose the Administration in either of these measures.

Santos-Dumont, the worlds most successful aeronaut, is about to start for America to make arrangements for the aeronautic competition to be held at the St. Louis Exposition. It is believed by many that he will secure the first prize.

The Panama newspapers are urging the new Government to occupy all the islands near the coast in the Caribbean Sea, as the United States might later be induced to buy them for coaling stations While Uncle Sam pays cash for anything they have to sell, he will be popular with the small Central or South American republics.

Captain Hobson has prepared a bill to be introduced in the House which would make the United States the greatest naval power in the world. All that it requires is an appropriation of $2,750,000,000. The naval hero fails to realize that there is no good reason why the United States should have the largest navy in the world.

During a short tour abroad William J. Bryan will study the social and economic questions of England, Germany, France and Italy. He will publish in his paper the results of his study, and his followers will doubtless regard him as the first authority on foreign affairs. The "peerless leader" will probably publish lots of advice to Secretary Hay on questions of European diplomacy.

Bilious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Romedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be warded off. Hundreds of people use the remedy in this way with perfect success. For sale by L. Taggart.

The Way to Suppress Boodling.

The Pittston "Gazette."

The Philadelphia "Press" hits the nail squarely on the head in its editorial comment on Congressman Palmer's recent declaration against the buying of political nominations, when it says: "If the citizens of the county who feel as Mr. Palmer does and who have equal courage in declaring themselves, will take this matter up and organize to put a stop to it by every means known to the law, the barter and sale of votes in conventions and elections will be made so dangerous that none will dare attempt. The work should not stop with opposition to those who purchase nominations. A few convictions and proper punishment will go farther and last longer." True, every word of it. Mere talk on boodling is idle, except insofar as it stirs up honest minded citizens to determined legal action against the men who buy and sell votes. Boodling will continue until a few of the boodlers are landed behind bars. Then the business is recognized as dangerous and will become unpopular.

Sterling Run.

Will we soon hear the wedding bells?

The dance last Saturday night was largely attended.

Mrs. Tom Dollen is visiting her daughter, Grace Smith.

The skating has been pretty fair for this kind of weather.

Miss Mason has been ill the past week, but is slowly improving.

Mr. Frank Hoag was in town over Sunday with his family.

Perry Mason visited his sister Cora a couple of days this week.

A number of Emporium boys were seen on our streets Sunday.

Gregory Frank, of Rockyhill, Mass., is visiting his parents in town.

James P. Furlong, formerly of Pittsburg, is in town visiting his mother.

Miss Mary Wykoff, of Cameron visited friends in town several eays last week.

Lora O'Keefe and Joseph Hurr returned from Philadelphia on Sunday.

Mrs. Ed. Brooks' grand-mother, Mrs. Shafer of Emporiums is spending a few days in town.

Mr. Ambrose Marsh and family have moved to Slate Run. We all regret to loose such good citizens.

A few of our young folks attended a birthday surprise party in honor of Gregg Frank on Monday evening.

Sinnamahoning Items.

Winter is here now in good shape, with about six inches of snow.

Barclay Bro's. find it quite difficult to run their mill this weather.

One of the men working on the steam shovel had his leg broken last week.

The stores all have a fine display of Christmas goods, Something to suit all.

Wescot Burlingame brought in the largest bear of the season. Its weight with pelt on, was 427 pounds.

A. L. St. Clair and a couple of his neighbors, captured two more bears last week—one old one and cub. "Link" is getting his name up as a bear hunter.

Two deer were run into the creek last week, by dogs. It is about time a stop was put to that kind of hunting, especially out of season.

There were but a few deer killed around here this fall, but quite a number of bear. There has been eight bear brought in within ten days, and several before that time.

The P. O. S. of A., are making arrangements to hold a bean bake on night of installation of officers and expect a big turnout of members. Why shouldn't they, for who wouldn't make an extra effort for a good fill of baked beans.

A very destructive fire occurred here last Sunday night about twelve o'clock when the double house owned by D. P. Baird and occupied by John Cafferty and Edward Cole was totally destroyed, the occupants barely making their escape in their night clothes. Both families lost all. Another house, adjoining, belonging to the B. S. & S. R. R. Co., was also burned, but the family occupying it saved all their household goods. By extra efforts of our citizens the store and dwelling of D. P. Baird, which stood close to the fire were saved. The cause of the fire was a defective flue in an upper room.

Pipes, briar and mereschaum, suitable for Holiday presents at John Cruice's Cigar Store.

Millionaires' Poor Stomach.

The worn-out stomach of the overfed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people, and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over thirty-five years. August Flower rouses the torpid liver, thus creating appetite and insuring perfect digestion. It tones and vitalizes the entire system and makes life worth living, no matter what your station. Trial bottles, 25c; regular size, 75c, at L. Taggart. 38-ly-1.

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Council Proceedings.

Regular meeting Borough Council, Emporium, Dec. 7th, 1903.

Present: Messrs. Catlin, Shaffer, Freindle, Balcom, Green.

Absent: Messrs. Housler, Nelson, Cummings, Marshall.

Minutes of last regular and special meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Catlin, that an electric light be placed on West Allegany Ave., corner Vine street. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Friendle, seconded by Mr. Green, that the Secretary be instructed to notify the Emporium Water Company that Council will refuse to pay any water bill after Jan. 1st, 1904, until a contract is made. Carried.

On motion by Mr. Friendle, seconded by Mr. Shaffer, the following bills were ordered paid:

Western Electric Light Co., invoice	$44 70
Grant S. Allen, insurance	54 50
St. Marys Gas Co., gas for Nov.	25 95
Murry, Coppersmith Co., invoice	7 60
Emporium Water Co., Water to Jan. 1.'04,	560 00
C. B. Howard Co., invoice, lumber	72 60
Emporium Machine Co., invoice	44 14
W. F. Lloyd, freight, etc.,	13 42
Robt Clark, draying	3 50
Anson Robinson, washing hose	1 00
Wm. Robinson, watching	2 00
Wm. Robinson, washing hose	1 00
John Welsh, work on streets	8 75
Thos. Cavanaugh, work on streets,	7 85
John Norris, work team	1 00
James Bailey, work,	1 75

Reports of Burgess and Treasurer filed.

Moved by Mr. Catlin, seconded by Mr. Green that Mrs. Anna Liston be exonerated from payment of dog tax for 1003. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Friendle seconded by Mr. Catlin, that matter of confirming grade of side walk in front of Climax Powder M'f'g. Company's property on Sixth street, be laid over for one month and that Council meet upon the premises, with the Burgess, Dec. 8th next at 2:30 p. m., and investigate same. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Shaffer, seconded by Mr. Friendle, that Dr. H. W. Good, be elected a member of the Board of Health, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. A. W. Baker. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Shaffer seconded by Mr. Friendle, that Borough Treasurer be instructed to pay on or before Jan. 1st, 1904, five Electric Light bonds, Nos. 11 to 15, inclusive, and eight sewer bonds, Nos. 36 to 43, insclusive, and that Secretary be instructed to advertise that holders of the bonds shall present same for payment on or before Jan. 1st, 1904 and that interest will not be paid after that date. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Shaffer seconded by Mr. Friendle, that Secretary be instructed to place in the hands of the proper officers for service upon the following property owners, notices to rebuild or repair their sidewalks located in front of their respective properties in said borough, witnin twenty days after service of said notice or the said walks will be rebuilt or repaired by the Borough of Emporium without further notice and 20 per cent will be added to the costs thereof which costs of rebuilding or repairing will be charged to and collected from their respective estates. The persons upon whom notices shall be served and the nature of the work required are as follows:

John Kriner, Fourth and Maple streets, repairs; Franklin Housler, Maple street, repairs; Trustees First M. E. Church, Spruce street, new walk.

Moved by Mr. Friendle seconded by Mr. Green, that resolution of Nov. 3rd last, to pay each paper $40, for printing Auditors' report be rescinded. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Friendle, that $22, be paid to each paper for printing Auditors' report. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Catlin, seconded by Mr. Shaffer that a Welsbach light be placed on Wood street at Corner of Greenwood street. Carried.

On motion the Council then adjourned.

C. JAY GOODNOUGH, Secretary.

A married editor soliloquizes thus of the gentler sex: "There is gladness in her gladness when she's glad, and there is sadness in her sadness when she's sad; but the gladness of her gladness and the sadness of her sadness are nothing to her madness when she's mad."

RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S.

Ashburn, Ontario, Testifies to the Good Qualties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

ASHBURNHAM, Ont, April 18, 1903

I think it is only right that I should tell you what a wonderful effect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has produced. The day before Easter I was so distressed with a cold and cough that I did not think to be able to take any duties the next day, as my voice was almost choked by the cough, The same day I received an order from you for a bottle of your Cough Remedy. I at once procured a sample bottle, and took about three doses of the medicine. To my great relief the cough and cold had completely disappeared and I was able to preach three times on Easter Day. I know that this rapid and effective cure was due to your Cough Remedy. I make this testimonial without solicitation, being thankful to have found such a Godsent remedy.

Respectfully yours,
E. A. LANGFELDT, M. A..
Rector of St. Luke's Church.

To Chamberlain Medicine Co.
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Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall, of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her." Guaranteed by L. Taggart, Druggist. Price 50c, and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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Back seaters soon become backsliders

A Frightened Horse

Running like mad down the street, dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c, at L. Taggart's Drug Store.

There's no good substitute for honesty.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver of Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet horough, 25c, at L. Taggart's Drug Store.

Wishes and not words are the true prayers.

The Lone Star state.

Down in Texas at Yoakum, is a big dry goods firm of which J. M. Haller is the head. Mr. Haller on one of his trips East to buy goods said to a friend who was with him in the palace car, "Here, take one of these Little Early Risers upon retiring and you will be up early in the morning feeling good." For the "dark brown" taste, headache and that logy feeling DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills to use. Sold by R. C. Dodson.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion, try a few doses of Chamberlain's stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seitz, of Detroit Mich., says, "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of bloated feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." There are people in this community who need just such a medicine. For sale by Jno. E. Smith, Sterling Run. Every box warranted.

Impatience is the mother of many wrinkles.

A glass or two of water taken half an hour before breckfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a purgative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action. For sale by L. Taggart.

Temptation is the devil's form of injunction.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.

Digests all classes of food, tones and strengthens the stomach and digestive organs. Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, stomach Troubles, and makes rich red blood, health and strength. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure rebuilds wornout tissues, purifies, strengthens and sweetens the stomach. Gov. G. W. Atkinsou, of W. Va., says: "I have used a number of bottles of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and have found it to be a very effective and, indeed a powerful remedy for stomach ailments. I recommend it to my friends." Sold by R. C. Dodson.

He who entertains envy invites enmity.

Be Quick.

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or ever after the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. It never fails, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Jno. E. Smith, Sterling Run.

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While we do not have the room for a large display of Holiday Goods, we have a good supply of useful articles suitable for

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LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by postal card or letter, personally.

Miss Hattie Russell returned to her school on Monday.

Ed. Blinzler has fitted up his tonsorial room in elaborate style.

Mrs. Isaac Wykoff, of Cameron, was shopping in town on Friday.

Frank Taylor is confined to his residence on West Allegany Avenue, being quite ill.

Postmaster T. M. Lewis, of Sterling Run, was circulating around town on Monday.

Mrs. Jones and Miss Jettie Wiley went to Buffalo Tuesday to visit friends.

John L. Johnson, proprietor of the American House, was a PRESS visitor on Tuesday.

Joseph Kaye arrived from Wis , on Monday, to be present at the Banquet last evening.

E. S. Rhodes, for several months clerk in Rockwell's drug store, has returned to his home at Erie.

James Strawbridge, of Johnsonburg, formerly a resident of Sterling Run, remembers the PRESS for 1904.

Profs. W. J. Leavitt and Ezra Smith, of Lumber, teachers of the Sterling Run schools, were PRESS callers on Saturday.

William Hackenberg continues to improve and it is hoped will recover from his attack of appendicitis without an operation.

M. J. Leadbetter recently received the sad intelligence of the death of his mother, in her 80th year, at the old homestead in N. B.

Mrs. Joseph Nunn, of Grape Valley, N. Y., and Mrs. W. H. Morse of Cameron Pa., were guests of Mrs. J. R. Fetter and family one day last week.

Mr. Cerf, of Louisville, Ky., attended the lecture given at M. E. Church, Tuesday evening on "The Orient" and pronounced it magnificiently described.

A. J. Turley and family have returned from Hunts Run—Russell Hollow—to Emporium, Mr. Turley having completed his log job. He had a serions time while there, his wife, child and himself having had a run of fever.

Wm. McDonald, of Beechwood, while in town on Friday called on ye editor and, in addition to his own PRESS ordered a copy for one year sent to his daughter, Mrs. Peter Ferguson, who recently moved from Emporium to Novia Scotia.

E. I. Smith, of Sugar Grove, Pa., formerly a resident of Emporium, was a PRESS caller last Thursday. "Lon" was called her on account of ths death of his mother-in-law, Mrs Rhoda Russell. He likes Warren county, his native county. Mrs. Smith, who has been in Emporium since last fall, caring for her mother will remain here until spring.

Ed. Hillyard and W. A. Auchu after an absence of several months, in the north-west and Pacific coast, looking over the country, returned to Fmporium last Friday. Ed. says he will never agree to describe his trip, unless he hires a hall and devotes all evening to the task. Being a moderate and slow talker the story would never be completed. Ed. Blinzler has the "main book" story down fine.

Mr. George Bassie, of Olean, is again in our town visiting friends.

Capt. Chas. F. Barclay, of Sinnamahoning, transacted business in town on Tuesday.

Mr. O. B. Barnes has decided to locate at Buffalo and left for that city on Tuesday.

Mrs. A. C. Blum was called to the bedside of her mother, last week, who met with a serious fall.

A. D. Gould, of Eldred, Pure Food Inspector, visited his sisters in town between trains on Tuesday.

Rev. Twichell, of Danville, Pa., will preach in the Baptist Church, next Sunday morning and evening.

Geo. J. LaBar visited at Portland Mills last Tuesday. His daughter, Mrs. Chas. Deihl resides there.

Mrs. W. W. Weeks and two months old son died at Williamsport last week —the latter in Hospital on Friday.

John Hogan, an expert ice house builder, is superintending the erection of a cold storage plant at Cameron.

Mrs. J. M. Dunkle, and daughter Mildred, of Rolfe, visited Mrs. E. B. Newton, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davison of Johnsonburg, Pa., stopped in Emporium on Tuesday, while returning from Chambersburg.

Jasper Harris, the popular Fourth street clothier, was a pleasant PRESS visitor yesterday. Mr. Harris is popular with the public and a good citizen.

Cashier T. B. Lloyd, of First National Bank, although a very busy man, at all times, occasionally finds time to drop in to see the printer, if for only a moment.

Misses Ora and Iva Cole, of Keokuk, Iowa, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Emporium for several weeks, leave to-day for their western home. The many friends and admirers of these pleasant ladies enjoyed their visit equally as much as they did.

Mr. O. P. Waters, of York, Pa., came up yesterday for the express purpose of visiting his friends, Rev. O. S. Metzler and Mr. Fred Julian, (whose guest he was), and enjoyed the Masonic banquet. Mr. Waters is one of York's energetic business men and a jolly good fellow. We regret his short stay, business compelled him to return today.

Found.

A pair of steel bow spectacles were found in Empolum on Tuesday by a bevy of young school girls—Misses Myrtle Dininny, Rachael Day, Annie Edwards and Rosa Pye—who will require the owner to purchase a bag of candy—no stick or all day suckers—and pay for this notice.

Items of Interest.

Don't forget the W. R. C. Rummage Sale, to commence Friday.

Sheriff Hemphill has taken two new boarders this week. There are now five in all to provide for.

A number of Emporium Masons go to Driftwood to-morrow noon, to assist in installation and attend the banquet to be given by Driftwood Lodge.

Taggart's special holiday tables are loaded down with special values. All that is required is for you to come and examine, the goods will show for themselves.

When you marry a man, love him. A famous writer once said: "I pity the man, who, after marrying, finds all he has to show for his marriage fee, is a dress form, a medicine chest and a whining voice."

Religious.

The first Quartely Meeting of the Conference year will be held at the Free Methodist Church, Dec. 18th and 20th, inclusine. Rev. D. B. Tobey, of Franklin, Pa., having been elected at the last Annual Conference as District Elder of Bradford District will preside. Order of services: Friday and Saturday evening, 7:30 p. m.; Sunday a. m., 9:30 and 7:00 p. m.

R. A. ROBERTSON, Pastor.

On account of the Christmas and New Year Holiday travel, excursion tickets will be sold at all regular ticket stations on this line to points on the Buffalo & Susquehanna Railroad at one and one third regular fair for round trip, except that no ticket shall be sold for less than fifteen cents.

Tickets will be sold only on December 24, 25, 30, 31, 1903, and January 1, 1904, good going on date of sale and available for return trip on or before January 4, 1904.

M. J. MCMAHON, Div. Pass. Agt.

The Man and the Woman.

A man will run as fast as he can to cross a railroad track in front of a train. Then he will watch it till it goes out of sight. Then he will walk leisurely away. He seems to be all right, and probably is. That is a man.

A waman in a street car will open a satchel and take out a purse, take out a dime close the purse, open the satchel, put in the purse, close the satchel, and lock both ends. Then she will give the dime to the conductor, who will give her a nickle back.

Then she will open the satchel and take out the purse, put in the nickel, close the purse, open the satchel, and put in the purse, close the satchel and lock both ends. Then she will feel for the buckle at the back of her belt.—Exchange.

Sunday School Officers.

At the annual meeting of the M. E. Sunday School Board, held on Tuesday evening, the following persons were elected officers and teachers for year 1904:

T. B. Lloyd,	Superintendent
J. P. McNarney,	Asst. "
W. F. Lloyd,	Secretary
A. F. Andrews,	Ass't. "
Maude Steck,	Recording Secty
H. O. Haupt,	Librarian
Linn Strayer,	"
Claude Rentz,	"
L. K. Huntington,	Treasurer
Mrs. F. P. Strayer,	Missionary Treas
Fred C. Huntington,	Pianist
J. A. Johnston,	Cornetist
Wm. Kickerbocker,	Trombone
Hugh Swartz,	Mandolin
Fred Heilman,	Flute

TEACHERS.

Senior Department,	*Intermediate Dept.*
Rev. O. S. Metzler,	Mrs. F. P. Strayer,
L. K. Huntington,	Mrs. A. C. Blum,
Fred Julian.	Mrs. B. E. Jones,
Junior Department,	Mrs. J. T. Healy,
Mrs. M. M. Larrabee,	Miss Marian Larrabee,
Mrs. H. O. Haupt,	Mrs. Geo. W. Van Wert,
M. F. Lucore,	Mrs. H. S. Lloyd,
Prof. E. S. Ling,	Mrs. Georgia Chapman
F. P. Strayer.	

Primary Department.
Mrs. J. P. McNarney, Superintendent.
Mrs. Geo. Metzger,, Jr., Superintendent.
Nellie Lingle, Assistant.
Maud Thomas, Assistant.

Slips of Novelists.

Andrew Lang in Longman's recalled certain slips of the novelists. They too, have their loose ends:

"A skilled person might make a pleasant essay on what we may call the dropped threads of novelists. Thus Pip's vision of Miss Havisham hanging to a beam in the deserted brewery has always puzzled me. It seems to have been meant to lead to something other than what occurs. In Mr. Marion Crawford's 'Taquisara' much turns on an entranced medium who could give two strokes in the hole and a beating to Mrs. Piper. We expect her successes to be normally explained, because stress is laid on her one eyed servant, whose one eye (blue) marks her as the sister of her mistress. Boslo observes this; the poisoner, Matilda, does not. Apparently something was to hang on that fact. If so, the thread was dropped. Again, why had Charles Wogan clay on his clothes at the end of 'Clementina?' Like the priest in the 'Lays of Ancient Rome,'

"I know, but may not tell."

Edith's horror at meeting Florence in the darkling house of Mr. Dombey is a dropped thread which Dickens tried to take up, but failed. Research would probably discover many such instances."

Queer Doings of a Rifle Ball.

I myself made the most extraordinary shot at an antelope that I ever heard of, which, however, has nothing to do with good shooting, but rather with the erratic course that a rifle ball may take. With several scouts, white men and Indians, I rode over a hill to see three or four buck antelope spring to their feet, run a short distance and then stop to look. I made a quick shot at one, which dropped, and on going to him I found him not dead, though desperately wounded. The animal had been standing broadside on, his face toward my left. The ball had struck the left elbow, splintering the olecranon; passed through the brisket, broken the right humerus, turned at right angles and gone back, cutting several ribs; broken the right femur, then turned again at right angles and come out through the inside of the leg and struck the left hock joint, which it dislocated and twisted off so that it hung by a very narrow string of hide. I never again expect to see so extraordinary a course for a rifle ball.—Outing.

Oysters.

As a matter of interest there is but one species of oyster, Ostrea virginica, along the eastern coast of North America. The western coast has at least five species, but only two of these are of importance, and these do not compare with the eastern shellfish. Thus it is apparent that a Blue Point, a Providence river and a Chesapeake bay oyster are one and the same thing so far as species is concerned. The difference is merely in food supply and conditions in growth.

The oyster is rich in phosphates, but is almost entirely lacking in fat making, muscle building material and those elements which go to make up physical force and vitality. While it is wholesome and easily assimilated, the actual food value of the oyster is not sufficient to rank it with our great food fishes—the cod, haddock, mackerel, etc.—Good Housekeeping.

Just the Sight of Him.

Fan—Reggie has been engaged to any number of girls, but he always gets out of it.

Flo—How?

Fan—Oh, he merely goes and asks the father's consent, and that settles it.

The Pennsylvania State College.

The Sophomore-Freshman football game was played Saturday, Dec. 5. The score was 5-0 in favor of the Sophomores. This is the first time in three years that a team scored in an interclass football game. By virtue of their victory the Sophs are allowed to put their numerals on the Interclass Football Cup. The last numerals appearing on the Cup are those of the class of 1903.

The scientific and engineering societies of the College are as follows: the Scientific Association consisting of members of the Faculty and honor students of the Senior class, meeting the first and third Tuesday nights of each month, the Electrical Engineering Society consisting of the instructors and the Senior and Junior students of the E. E. Department, meeting every Wednesday night, the Mechanical Engineering Society consisting of the instructors and the Senior and Junior students of the M. E. Department, meeting the first and third Tuesday night of each month; the Civil Engineering Society consisting of the instructors and the Senior and Junior students of the C. E. Department, meeting the second and fourth Tues day night of each month; the Natural History Club consisting of Biological, Agricultural and other students, meeting every Wednesday night; the Mathematical Club, formed of the instructors of that Department and also of the Department of Physics and some of the Engineers, meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

The Beta Theta Pi fraternity held a dance Friday night, Dec. 4 at their house.

The third of the course of Y. M. C. A. entertainments was held in the new Schwab Auditorium, Saturday night, Dec. 5. The Lulu Tyler Gates Company were the entertainers. The company consists of Lulu Tyler Gates, reader, Helen Carter McConnell, contralto, Marie Ludwig, harpist and accompanist, and H. Benne Henton, clarinet and saxaphone. Every one of the four is an excellent performer, and the entertainment as a whole was a marked success.

The Rev. Wm. C. Powick of Columbia delivered a sermon in Chapel, Sunday, Dec. 5.

The meeting of the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday night, Dec. 5, was a very successful one. Mr. Cassady, Princeton '03, sang and Prof. Pattee spoke.

Change of Venue.

(McKean Democrat.)

Judge Ormerod, of Potter county, who heard arguments in the several cases against tht Erie and the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg railroads for a change of venue, asked for by the defendent companies on the ground that a fair trial could not be had in McKean county, has just handed down his opinion in the cases, which is to the effect that the causes will be tried in Cameron county. These suits grew out of the destruction of oil and other property in this county by forest fires sometime since, which the plaintiffs allege were caused by the defendant companies' locomotives. The copying of the records of the various suits will, it is asserted, take four typewriters six weeks to do the work. H. E. Tull has charge of this big job, and he and his assistants are now busily engaged in the work.

Death of War Governor's Widow.

Mrs. Catherine I. Curtin, widow of Andrew G. Curtain, Pennsylvania's Civil War Governor, and who also served as a representative in the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth Congresses, died very suddenly on Monday, at Bellefonte, of apoplexy, aged 84 years. Mrs. Curtin had been shopping. She went home to luucheon, was stricken while eating and died within an hour. One son and three daughters survive her.

Advertise in the PRESS.

Do you catch cold easily? Does the cold hang on? Try

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It cures the most stubborn kind of coughs and colds. If it doesn't cure you, your money will be refunded.

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The Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church will sell the old church site and parsonage property at a bargain. Apply to I. K. HOCKLEY, Chairman of the Board or J. H. DAY, Secretary. 37tf

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All persons are hereby forbidden from trespassing upon the property of this Company without a permit from this office, or the Superintendant at the works.

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ELECTION NOTICE.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,
Emporium, Pa., Dec. 10th, 1903.

THE annual meeting of the stock-holders for the election of a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them, will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of one and three in the afternoon.

T. B. LLOYD, Cashier.

Notice of Executrix.

Estate of RHODA E. RUSSELL, Deceased

LETTERS testamentary on the estate of Rhoda Russel, late of the borough of Emporium, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Hattie I. Russell, residing in said Borough, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will make known the same without delay.

HATTIE I. RUSSELL, Executrix.
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Special Sale of
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You can save ⅓ to ½ on all trimmed hats purchased of us this month.

Women's Dress Hats and Street Hats

All shapes and colors; these hats are the newest, most attractive of this season's styles; some are for women, girls and children. Don't miss this splendid opportunity to save money.

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Everything in the millinery line reduced.

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With Christmas fast approaching, the house wife head over heels in Christmas affairs, there'll be many things to worry. Why not lessen the worries by turning over the grocery business to DAY'S, where you'll be sure of having things right—goods and prices? We've made ample provision and can serve you better than ever before. We've goods from almost all parts of the civilized world.

Close Shaves for Friday and Saturday.

Florida Oranges, direct from the groves of our worthy townsman, B. W. Green.

25C, 30C, 35C, 40C, Doz.

10C	Package Egg Noodles,	8C
12C	Can Tomatoes	10C
12½C	Pkg Seeded Raisins, Full Pound.	11C
10C	Pkg Cleaned Currants,	9C
10C	Pkg new Dates,	9C
	New California soft shell Almonds, lb.	23C
	Full Cream Cheese, lb.	14C
25	Lb. bag Sugar, Best Granulated	$1.40

Special prices on Oranges by the box.

House Furnishing Goods.

People from out of town may not be aware of the extensive line we carry. There are many articles that make suitable gifts at very small cost. Come early and look them over.

English Porcelain Dinner Sets.

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Open stock pattern, closing out at bargains. Come and see.

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THE OLD DOCK.

A-lyin' on the dock o'nights
You hear the water creep an' lap
Below the old warped planks, an' slap
An' gurgle 'round the rotted piles,
While deep wet shadows reach fer miles an' miles
Between the campers' lights.

A-lyin' there, you're half asleep—
The lake keeps whisperin' one song;
An' throbbin' like a 'cello, streng
Er soft, the marsh-things play their notes;
The moon hangs in the water low, an' floats
A thousand fathoms deep.

An' then behind Pine Point you hear
The steady pad, pad, pad o' wheels,
An' out the dark a headlight steals.
The night-boat's gone—she trails a thin,
Sweet echo shoreward o' a violin
That kind o' haunts yer ear.

Out there in that big room o' night
You're like a child that's all alone
A-lis-nin' fer some sound o' home.
It hurts to wake an' see again
The gray o' Heartbreak road, that's made fer men,
Stretch out before yer sight.
—Emery Pottle, in Woman's Home Companion.

Scoundrels & Co.

By COULSON KERNAHAN

Author of "Captain Shannon," "A Book of Strange Sins," "A Dead Man's Diary," Etc.

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CHAPTER I.—CONTINUED.

"And where do I come in, in this business?" asked the newly appointed councillor nervously.

"Ah! you are business-like," replied the chairman, with a smile. "Listen The detective is to join Councillor Number Seven, as we will continue for the present to call him, at midnight, on board the yacht I have told you of. It will be our business to see that he is prevented from getting there, and you may rely upon our doing it, for the resources at our command can accomplish anything. We are going to take you ashore with us in the dinghy when this meeting is concluded. There a skiff will be waiting for you, in which you will row out to pay a visit to Councillor Number Seven. In fact, you will go there impersonating his expected visitor Detective Marten. He has never seen Marten, and doesn't even know what he is like, which simplifies matters very much. You see this india-rubber ball, scarcely bigger than a marble? You will have no difficulty in concealing it in the palm of your left hand. You notice that there is a tiny tube or pipe to it? Well, Councillor Number Seven has a long story and a dry one to tell you, and from what I know of him, I can promise you that he will offer you refreshment, and will not want much pressing to join you himself. You must make some opportunity, when he is not looking, to pass your hand over his drink. As you do so, squeeze the ball, and if one drop of what it contains goes into the whisky, your business will be done. But even if you can't manage the business that way, you will have no difficulty in effecting his removal, for he has arranged to give the detective a berth for the night, and you can easily chloroform him when he is asleep. We'll supply you with the drug for the purpose."

"And what do I do with the body?" asked the new councillor. His face was now deadly pale, and his fingers were picking at the braid on his coat while he spoke.

"That too we have arranged," was the answer. "You see that brown leather hand-bag on the locker? Lift it. Rather heavy, isn't it? Let me show you what it contains. This weight attached to a chain is heavy enough to sink two men. When your business with Councillor Number Seven is transacted, you will slip the chain round his ankle, fasten it so, and drop the body overboard. Then haul up the anchor, row ashore, and leave the yacht to drift with the tide. She may go a long way out to sea, and the farther the better.

"On the first of next month the council meets again, when you will make your report. Put this letter in your pocket. It contains instructions as to where we meet and under what circumstances.

"And now about the disguise. You received, before you came here to-night, the clothes you are wearing, the false beard and the rest of it, with instructions in regard to 'getting up.'"

"Yes," said the recruit; "but I didn't know that all the seven were to be disguised alike, and it gave me a turn when I first came down in the cabin. It is the cleverest thing I ever saw, for behanged if the seven of us aren't as like as two peas. If we were all shuffled together like cards in a pack I don't believe I could pick out any one of us again to save my life. What's it for, and how do you know each other again?"

"We don't know each other again," was the calm reply. "No man here except myself, so far as I am aware, knows the name of any of his fellow-councillors. Why should they? There's no chance of my turning informer. If I turned Queen's evidence a thousand times over, it wouldn't save my neck. What there is against me is too bad and there is too much of it for that ever to be thought of. Hence we are known to each other only by a number. You are Number Seven and I am Number One, as I ought to be, for I originated the whole concern. Every man here has been invited to join us on my responsibility alone. I do the thing carefully, you must admit. In your own case, for instance, I knew what your suspicions were about the council and I had satisfied myself that it would be safe to make overtures to you, or else you would not have received the invitation in response to which you are here to-night. And yet you don't know who I am, nor whether you and I have ever met until to-night. Is that so?"

"It is."

The admission was made grudgingly and reluctantly. But, blended with something very like fear, there was in the way in which the words were spoken, the submission of one who recognizes his master.

"As for your inquiry, 'What's it for?'" went on the councillor who had called himself "Number One." "I should hardly have thought a man of your acumen would have needed to put the question. The facts about a concern of this sort can't be kept too close. Why should you put your head into a noose of which others hold the string? Don't you see it's safer for each individual councillor if his identity is kept a secret? This man whom you are replacing on the council—if he'd known who his fellow-councillors were, it is very possible that he'd have given all our names to the police and that each of us would have had two or three detectives on his track who would have arrested us separately. As it is, all he can tell them is that the whole of us meet here to-morrow night; but who we are and where we hang out, he can't say: so that it is only now and then, and for a few hours, that we run any danger. And I need hardly tell you that we didn't come here to-night until I had satisfied myself that no trap was being laid to take us, and that there was nothing stirring among the police beyond what I have already spoken of. Can't you see, too, what advantage this system of our all being disguised alike presents? You will have to put your beard and wig in your bag when you go to see Number Seven, because you go to him personating Marten. But you will resume the disguise when the business is done. Suppose you are seen coming ashore after accomplishing the job, and a description of you gets into the hands of the police. They will at once inquire at the two railway stations if a man answering your description has been seen, and they will be told 'Yes,' for the six of us will be leaving Southend—as far as possible by different routes or by different trains—and the police will be pelting all over the country after us, leaving the course almost clear to you. Don't you see how it scatters the scent? And even if they lay hands on one of us—which they won't, for our plans are all prepared beforehand—we have so arranged things that it would be easy enough for the one in question to clear himself. That was how we managed the duchess of Doncaster's business. The man was seen—it was one of us here; I needn't say which—and but for our trailing a red herring across the track, he might have been nabbed. But we switched the bobbies off on another scent, and a pretty fools' dance they were led, while the real man got away with the swag. The police are at a disadvantage in fighting us. When we bring off any little job, they start, knowing nothing about it, and what they get to know they have to find out, which takes time; whereas we start knowing all about it, and with all our arrangements made beforehand. In fact, seven determined men with brains, all working together as we do, can snap their fingers at Scotland yard; and it seems to me that there is a big future for this syndicate as a business concern. What say you, Councillor Number Seven? Are you still as strong as ever on joining us?"

"Yes."

"Very well. Let's get to business. We'll go ashore now, gentlemen, and arrange for the new councillor, Number Seven here, to make his little call upon Councillor Number Seven that was."

He rose from his chair as he spoke, and led the way to the deck, the recruit following closely behind him with the bag. In a very few minutes the dip of their paddles had died away, and, cramped and chilled by my long vigil, I crept out from my hiding place into the now empty cabin, wondering how best I could go to work to frustrate the villainy of this precious Syndicate of Scoundrels.

CHAPTER II.

HOW I WARNED A DOOMED MAN OF HIS DANGER.

I was not long in making up my mind. Had I known anything of yachting, I should have set sail, hauled up the anchor, and made for the shore; but no First Lord of the Admiralty knows less about a boat than I did at that time. Row ashore I could not, as the rascals who had just left had taken the dinghy, and I did not like to call out for help, lest I should bring the same crew of scoundrels back to the yacht. Unless I made an effort to swim to the pier-head I should have to remain on board all night, and in the meantime murder was being done.

Without more ado I slipped off my clothes and dived into the water, striking out with all my strength. But it was not to be. The tide was now setting seaward at a great pace. Struggle as I would, I soon realized that it was impossible to reach the pier-head; so I ceased swimming and, turning on my back, I let the current drift me, feet foremost, towards the yacht which I had just left, paddling meanwhile with my hands, that I might keep my body on an even keel. As I neared the yacht I raised my head a little and squinted across my chest to my toes, to make sure that I should not be carried past her. In doing so I caught a glimpse of another small vessel that lay some quarter of a mile out to sea and in direct line of the current. It was no doubt the very boat on which the crime was to be committed. With the tide in my favor it would not be difficult to reach her, so I turned on my chest again, and passing under the yacht's counter, I struck out boldly for the farther craft.

By the time I reached her I was quite exhausted, and when some one jumped up suddenly and called out, "Is that you, inspector?" I thought it better to say "Yes," and to get on board as soon as possible, than to expend what little breath still remained in my body by entering upon what under any circumstances would be a difficult explanation.

"Well, I've always heard that you were a tricky one, Marten," said my new friend. "But I'll be hanged if this doesn't beat cock-fighting. Fancy your swimming all the way out so that no one should know where you were going to. I guess you're blown a bit, aren't you? We'll go below and have a drink, if you'll wait here a minute while I light the lamp."

My swim from one yacht to the other had been undertaken in such a hurry that I had no time in which to speculate upon the probable appearance of the person whom I had come there to warn; and I was therefore quite unprepared to find, when I joined him in the cabin, that he resembled in every way the seven mysterious beings whose extraordinary and uncanny likeness one to the other had so startled me an hour ago. Had I given the matter a moment's thought, I might have known that there was nothing strange in the fact that he was still wearing his disguise. But the events of the night had made me suspicious, and as I stood there staring

MOTIONLESS UPON THE TABLE.

at him I could not help asking myself, "What if I am too late? What if this is not the man who was marked out for murder, but the murderer himself? Why did he bid me wait while he went down to light the lamp? and why was he so long about it? Can it be that I surprised him at his devilish work, and that while I was waiting shivering on the deck he was putting the body out of sight and clearing away the evidence of his crime?"

While all of this was passing through my mind my companion had been staring back at me in a way which showed that he too was ill at ease.

"What's the matter, inspector?" he said, looking about him nervously. "Any one would think you had seen a ghost. The cold swim has affected you a bit, hasn't it? Help yourself to a whisky. That'll put life into you sooner than anything."

He pushed first a spirit-decanter and then a water-bottle towards me with one hand, pointing with the other to a rack on my right, where some glasses were neatly arranged.

I poured off a liberal allowance, and tossed off the half of it at a gulp.

"Why shouldn't this child have a drink too?" my companion said, with a feeble pretense at jocularity, stretching a hand across my tumbler to get at the decanter.

There was nothing in the action to arouse suspicion under ordinary circumstances; but as I thought of the india-rubber ball, small enough to be concealed in the palm of the hand, and of the deadly poison it contained, a sudden panic seized me, and, scarcely knowing what I did, I snatched up my half-emptied tumbler and dashed its contents on the floor. The man sat staring at me with a look in his eyes that to my dying day I shall not forget. His mouth dropped open all awry, like that of a paralyzed man. His face went grey, his lips white, then screaming out, "You're not Inspector Marten at all! I knew it from the first. You are one of those infamous seven—one of those devils from hell—come here to prevent me handing you over to justice!" he sprang forward, mouthing and gibbering at me like a monkey, and with outstretched, twitching fingers pointed at my throat.

I was on my feet in an instant, more anxious to explain the mistake into which he had, not unnaturally, fallen than to defend myself. But neither course was necessary, for the next instant his arm dropped to his side, and with a great groan he fell forward motionless upon the table. Agitation had brought on syncope of the heart. The man whose life I had come there to save was dead.

CHAPTER III.

I FIGHT FOR MY LIFE.

"You've made a mess of it, Marten, haven't you?" said a voice behind me, and, turning, I saw framed in the doorway a tall, clean-shaven man. He was holding the very brown bag which had been handed to him in my presence only an hour ago, but had he been without it I should have known that he was the newly appointed councillor.

One surprise had succeeded another so rapidly on this eventful evening that I was less taken aback than might have been expected. And now that I knew how unscrupulous was the man I was dealing with, and what was the errand that brought him there, I realized at once that, naked and unarmed as I was, I should have to play my cards very carefully if I was to get out of the business alive. My only chance lay, so it seemed to me, in keeping up the role that had been thrust upon me. So when the new arrival said, "You've made a mess of it, Marten, haven't you?" I replied as naturally as if I had answered to the name Marten all my life.

"Yes," I said wearily, "I suppose, as you say, I've made a mess of it. But, since you seem to know me, I call you to witness that I laid no finger on the man."

"Well," said Number Seven, "all I know of the business is, that I had only just set foot on the yacht's deck when some one screeched out in the cabin. I hurried down as fast as I could, but was only in time to see our friend here throw up his arms and fall back. I'll stand by you if anything comes of it, however, and will swear that you didn't lay hands on him. But I know why he sent for you to come here to-night, and what it was he meant telling you; so before we go any farther I'd like to know how much he has told you and how much he hasn't. You needn't be afraid to speak out, for I was in his confidence; besides, I know as much of the matter as he did, and can very likely put you right on a point or two."

The fellow's motives in trying to wheedle me into telling him what had passed between the dead man and myself were not difficult to diagnose. He knew that Inspector Marten had promised to visit the yacht that night, and, finding me there, he had not unnaturally concluded that I was the wily inspector, and that I had in some way contrived to outwit the scoundrels who had been so confident of their ability to prevent the visit from taking place. If Councillor Number Seven could satisfy himself that no communication had been made to me by the dead man, he would not trouble himself greatly about my movements; but if, on the contrary, he had reason to believe that I had been made acquainted with the facts concerning the syndicate, he would at once decide that I must not leave the yacht alive. The villain had come there prepared to murder, and he was not likely to stick at a trifle when his neck and the necks of his fellow-conspirators were in danger.

"Oh," I said, "there isn't much to tell. I had only just arrived here a few minutes, and our friend there had told me nothing of the business about which he had summoned me. I swam out to the yacht, as you see, instead of coming in a boat."

"Why did you do that?" interrupted Councillor Number Seven, sharply.

"Why did I do that?" I repeated after him, so that I might have a moment or two's grace in which to frame some plausible explanation. "Why? Oh! only because I thought I could slip away from the shore unnoticed if I swam, whereas if I hired a boat I might attract attention."

[To Be Continued.]

A MILLIONAIRE'S DIET.

Great English Statesman Who Is Simple to the Point of Asceticism.

Labouchere, one of the richest men in England, is simple to the point of asceticism in his tastes, according to T. P. O'Connor in Everybody's Magazine: "To this day he is almost a teetotaler; and his indifference to food has passed into a legend. One evening he came home somewhat unexpectedly to his house at Twickenham; there was no dinner ready. 'Go,' said Labby to his horrified butler, 'to the nearest ham and beef shop and bring me back some cold ham and beef.' The food was brought back; he adds that it was conveyed in an old newspaper—but that is probably a little embroidery of his own invention—and he says that he seriously thought of dispensing with cooks and having his food brought from the neighboring shop every night. He certainly could have adopted this practice without any personal sense of deprivation. He tells how once a somewhat awed host showed his sense of Labby's superiority by presenting him with sandwiches made of ham and sponge-cake! Labby ate the sandwiches with keen pleasure; the prospect of telling the story was an additional condiment to the meal."

He Died Cured.

Carroll D. Wright, an authority upon questions of labor, passed a good part of his boyhood in the New Hampshire town of Dunbarton. There used to live near Dunbarton a physician remarkable for his pigheaded stupidity. Mr. Wright said of him recently:

"A good story about this physician used to circulate in our town. According to it, an old woman stopped his gig one day, and pointed toward a house with crape on the door.

"'So, doctor,' she said, maliciously, 'Mr. Brown is dead, for all you promised to cure him, eh?'

"'You're mistaken,' he said. 'You didn't follow the progress of the case. It's true Mr. Brown is dead, but he died cured.'"—N. Y. Tribune.

Did Not Want It Mentioned.

A certain officer in the army, who is very much disliked by his men, was returning to barracks recently when he slipped into some deep water. A private in his regiment happened to see the occurrence and with great difficulty pulled the officer out. The latter was very profuse in his thanks and asked his rescuer how he could reward him. "The best way you can reward me, sor," replied the private, "is to say nothing about it." "Why, my good fellow," said the astonished officer, "why do you wish me to say nothing about it?" "Because if the other fellows knew I pulled you out you can depend upon it they'd get even with me by throwing me into the water."

Pennsylvania RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA AND ERIE RAIL ROAD DIVISION.

In effect May 24, 1903.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM EASTWARD

8 15 A. M.—Week days for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 5.23 P. M., New York 9.30 P. M., Baltimore 6.00 P. M., Washington 7.15 P. M. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12 25 P. M. (Emporium Junction) daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 7:32 p. m.; New York, 10:23 p. m.; Baltimore, 7:30 p. m.; Washington, 8:35, p. m. Vestibuled Parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3 20 P. M.—daily for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 4.25 A. M., New York 7.13 A. M., Baltimore, 2:20 A. M. Washington, 3:30 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 A. M.

10 25 P. M.—Daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 7.22 A. M., New York 9.33 A. M., weekdays, (10.33 A. M. Sunday;) Baltimore 7.15 A. M., Washington 8.30 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie, Buffalo and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Buffalo, Williamsport to Washington. Passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:01 A. M. (Emporium Junction), daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 7:22 a. m.; New York, 9:33 a. m., week days; (10:33 Sundays); Baltimore, 7:15 a. m.; Washington, 8:30 a. m. Vestibuled Buffet Sleeping Cars and Passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:10 A. M.—Emporium Junction—daily for Erie, Ridgway, and week days for DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10 30 A. M.—Daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6 23 P. M.—Week days for Kane and intermediate stations.

RIDGWAY AND CLEARFIELD R. R. CONNECTIONS.
(Week days.)

SOUTHWARD.			Stations.	NORTHWARD		
P. M.	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
.....	9 00	4 00	....Renovo....	.....	5 00	11 45
.....	9 50	4 38	...Driftwood...	.....	4 00	11 08
.....	10 25	5 10	Emporium Junc	.....	3 23	10 35
.....	11 13	5 53	....St. Marys...	.....	2 41	9 50
8 25	11 05	6 00	.....Kane.....	12 25	3 05	8 25
8 43	11 23	6 22	...Wilcox.....	12 05	2 45	8 04
3 56	11 38	6 36	..Johnsonburg..	9 55	2 33	7 49
4 10	12 10	7 00	...Ridgway,....	9 30	‡ 2 15	7 30
4 20	12 20	7 10	..Mill Haven...	9 20	2 04	7 20
4 30	12 30	7 21	.. Croyland....	9 10	1 54	7 09
4 34	12 33	7 25	..Shorts Mills..	9 06	1 51	7 05
4 37	12 36	7 28	...Blue Rock...	9 02	1 47	7 01
4 41	12 40	7 31	....Carrier.....	8 57	1 43	6 57
4 47	12 50	7 43	..Brockwayville.	8 49	1 33	6 47
4 54	12 54	7 47	...Lanes Mills..	8 44	1 28	6 43
		7 51	..McMinns Sm't.	8 40		6 38
5 03	1 03	7 51	..Harveys Run..	8 35	1 19	6 35
5 13	1 10	8 04	..Falls Creek...	8 30	1 15	6 30
5 25	1 25	8 13	....DuBois.....	8 20	1 05	6 10
5 12	1 15	8 05	..Falls Creek...	6 53	1 15	6 30
5 27	1 32	8 18	..Reynoldsville..	6 39	12 52	6 15
6 00	1 59	8 45	..Brookville....	6 05	12 21	5 36
6 45	2 38	9 30	New Bethlehem		11 47	4 56
7 25	3 20	10 13	...Red Bank....	.....	11 10	4 05
9 45	5 30	12 35	....Pittsburg....	.....	9 00	1 35
P. M.	P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.

BUFFALO & ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Leav Emporium Junction for Port Allegany, Olean, Arcade, East Aurora and Buffalo.

Train No. 107, daily,.....4:05 A. M.
Train No. 115, daily,.....4:15 P. M.

Trains leave Emporium for Keating, Port Allegany, Coudersport, Smethport, Eldred, Bradford, Olean and DuBois, connecting at Buffalo for points East and West.

Train No. 101, week days,.....8:30 A. M.
Train No. 103, week days.....1:40 P. M.

Train No. 103 will connect at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany, Bradford, Salamanca Warren, Oil City and Pittsburg.

LOW GRADE DIVISION.

EASTBOUND.

STATIONS.	109	113	101	105	107	901
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M	P. M	A. M.
Pittsburg,..Lv.	.....	†6 15	†9 00	†130	*505	‡ 9 00
Red Bank,.....	.....	9 23	11 10	4 06	7 55	11 10
Lawsonham,..	.....	9 40	‡1122	4 18	8 07	11 23
New Bethle'm.	.....	10 13	11 47	4 50	8 37	11 55
Brookville,...	†6 05	11 00	12 24	5 39	9 22	12 41
Reynoldsville,	6 39	11 32	12 52	6 15	9 50	1 14
Falls Creek....	6 53	11 48	1 13	6 30	1005	1 29
DuBois,.....	7 00	†11 55	1 25	6 40	1010	‡ 1 35
Sabula,.....	7 12	.....	1 37	6 52	‡*	
Pennfield,....	7 30	.....	1 55	7 10		
Bennezette,....	8 04	.....	2 29	7 44		
Driftwood,....	†8 40	.....	†3 05	†820		
via P. & E. Div						
Driftwood.. Lv.	*9 50	.....	†3 45			
Emporium, Ar.	†10 30	.....	†4 10			
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M	P. M	P. M.

Note.

WESTBOUND.

STATIONS.	108	106	102	111	110	942
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M	P. M.
Via P. & E. Div	.....	.....	†8 15	.....	†3 20	.....
Emporium, Lv.	.....	.....	†9 00	.....	†4 00	.....
Driftwood, Ar.	.....	.....		.....		.....
Via L. G. Div	.....			.....		
Driftwood, Lv.	.....	†8 10	†1110	.....	†5 50	.....
Bennezette,....	.....	6 45	11 45	.....	6 26	.....
Pennfield,.....	.....	7 20	12 20	.....	7 00	.....
Sabula,.....	.....		12 39	.....	7 18	.....
DuBois.....	*6 10	8 00	12 55	†5 05	7 35	†4 10
Falls Creek,....	6 17	8 08	1 15	5 12	7 42	4 17
Reynoldsville,..	6 31	8 13	1 29	5 27	7 58	4 30
Brookville.....	7 05	8 45	1 59	6 00	†8 30	5 00
New Bethle'm.	7 51	9 30	2 38	6 45	.....	5 45
Lawsonham,..	8 21	9 57	†3 06	7 14	.....	6 18
Red Bank,Ar..	8 35	†10 10	3 20	7 25	.....	6 30
Pittsburg, Ar...	*11 15	†1235	†5 30	†9 45	.....	†9 30
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

Note—Train 107 on Sundays will make all stop between Red Bank and DuBois.

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday. ‡Sunday only §Flag Stop.

For Time Tables and further information, apply to Ticket Agent.

W. W. ATTERBURY, General Manager. GEO. W. BOYD, Gen'l Passenger Agt.

EASTWARD.

STATIONS.	10	8	4	6	2
	P. M.	.....	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Port Allegany,.. Lv.	3 15	.....	7 05	.....	11 36
Coleman,.....	*3 23	.....	○○	.....	*11 41
Burtville,.....	*3 30	.....	7 15	.....	11 47
Roulette,.....	3 40	.....	7 25	.....	11 55
Knowlton's,.....	*3 45	.....	○○	.....	*11 59
Mina,.....	3 59	.....	7 35	.....	12 05
Olmsted,.....	*4 05	.....	*7 38	.....	*12 09
Hammonds,.....	○○		○○	.....	*12 13
Coudersport. Ar.	4 20	A. M.	7 45	.....	12 15
Coudersport. Lv.		6 10		6 00	1 00
North Coudersport,	.....	*6 15	.....	○○	*1 05
Frink's,.....	.....	6 25	.....	*6 10	*1 12
Colesburg,.....	.....	*6 40	.....	*6 17	1 20
Seven Bridges,.....	.....	*6 45	.....	*6 21	*1 24
Raymonds's,.....	.....	*7 00	.....	*6 30	1 35
Gold,.....	.....	7 05	.....	6 36	1 41
Newfield,.....	.....	○○	.....		1 45
Newfield Junction,...	.....	7 37	.....	6 45	1 50
Perkins,.....	.....	*7 43	.....	*6 48	*1 53
Carpenter's,.....	.....	7 46	.....	○○	*1 57
Crowell's,.....	.....	7 50	.....	*6 53	*2 01
Ulysses,..... Ar.	.....	8 05	.....	7 05	2 16
	.....	A. M.	.....		P. M.

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.	1	5	3	
	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	.....
Ulysses,.....Lv.	7 20	2 25	9 10	.....
Crowell's,.....	*7 27	*2 32	* 9 19	.....
Carpenter's,.....	○○	*2 34	* 9 22	.....
Perkins,.....	*7 32	*2 37	* 9 26	.....
Newfield Junction,.....	7 37	2 42	9 32	.....
Newfield,.....	*7 41	2 46	○○	.....
Gold,.....	7 44	2 49	9 40	.....
Raymond's.....	*7 49	2 54	* 9 47	.....
Seven Bridges,.....	*8 01	*3 03	*10 02	.....
Colesburg,.....	*8 04	3 09	*10 10	.....
Frink's,.....	*8 12	*3 17	*10 20	.....
North Coudersport, ...	○○	*3 26	*10 35	.....
Coudersport, Ar.	8 25	3 30	10 45	.....
Coudersport, Lv.	8 28	6 00	P. M. 1 20	.....
	○○	○○	○○	.....
Hammonds,.....	*8 33	*6 05	*1 31	.....
Olmsted,.....	8 37	6 10	1 37	.....
Mina,.....	○○	*6 17	○○	.....
Knowlton's,.....	8 47	6 21	1 51	.....
Roulette,.....	8 54	6 28	2 01	.....
Burtville,.....	○○	*6 34	○○	.....
Coleman,.....	9 08	6 40	2 25	.....
Port Allegany,.....				

(*) Flag stations. (○○) Trains do not stop (†) Telegraph offices Train Nos. 3 and 10

carry passengers. Trains 8 and 10 do.

Trains run on Eastern Standard Time.

Connections—At Ulysses with Fall Brook R'y for points north and south. At B. & S. Junction with Buffalo & Susquehanna R. R. north for Wellsville, south for Galeton and Ansonia. At Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. R. R., north for Buffalo, Olean, Bradford and Smethport; south for Keating Summit, Austin, Emporium and Penn'a R. R., points.

B. A. McCLURE Gen'l Supt.
Coudersport, Pa.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

Time Table taking Effect June 23, 1902.

Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad and Connections.

"The Grand Scenic Route."

READ DOWN.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	.....
lv K'ting Smt...		12 40	7 30	9 10	.....
.....Austin.....	6 35	1 05	8 00	9 50	.....
....Costello.....	6 44	1 14	.....		.....
....Wharton.....	6 56	1 26	.....	3 10	.....
Cross Fork Jct.	7 39	2 09	.....	4 23	.....
....Corbett.....	8 06	2 36	.....	5 15	.....
Germania,.....		2 47	.....	5 15	.....
Ar. Galeton,..	.....	.....	.....	5 23	.....
Lv. Galeton,..	8 23	2 53	.....	5 35	.....
.....Gaines Jct.	8 38	3 06	.....	.....	.....
...Westfield....	9 13	3 43	.....	.....	.....
...Knoxville,...	9 26	3 56	.....	.....	.....
....Osceola.....	9 36	4 06	.....	.....	.....
....Elkland.....	9 41	4 11	.....	.....	.....
lv..Addison....	10 13	4 43	.....	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	.....	.....	.....

READ UP.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	.....	P. M.
ar. K't'ng Smt...	8 45	7 10	.....	12 25	.....
.... Austin,.....	8 00	6 43	.....	11 58	.....
....Costello,.....	.....	6 34	.....	11 49	.....
...Wharton,.....	.....	6 24	8 04	11 39	.....
Cross Fork J'ct,	.....	5 40	7 25	10 58	.....
....Corbett,.....	.....	5 15	6 44	10 34	.....
...Germania,....	.....	5 07	6 31	10 26	.....
dp. Galeton.....	P. M.	5 00	6 25	.....	.....
ar, "	7 00	.....	1 00	10 20	.....
.... Gaines, ...	6 47	.....	12 47	10 00	.....
...Westfield,....	6 11	.....	12 11	8 16	.....
....Knoxville....	5 55	.....	11 55	8 00	.....
....Osceola,....	5 46	.....	11 46	7 51	.....
....Elkland,....	5 41	.....	11 41	7 46	.....
Lv Addison,....	5 10	.....	11 10	7 15	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.

Read down.				Read up.		
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	.....
	9 21	7 00	lv..Ansonia..ar	9 40	8 20	.....
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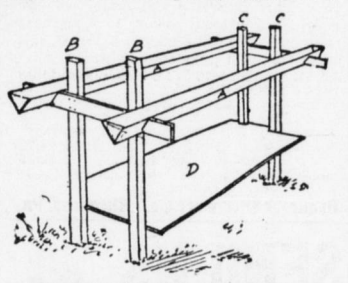
THE FARMING WORLD

TO KEEP MILK COOL.

An Idea from Texas That Can Be Used to Good Advantage in Other Sections.

This is a plan whereby milk may be kept cool. Make two troughs A, 8 feet long. Place two 4 foot posts, B, in the ground or on floor 1 foot apart, and opposite and on a parallel line 7½ feet away let two other posts, C, be placed.



KEEPING THE MILK COOL.

Attach troughs, A; 1 foot below troughs make a shelf, D, on which place pails or jars holding milk. Let cloths that readily absorb water be wrapped about the vessel containing the milk. The end of the cloths carried up and placed in the troughs. If the troughs are kept full of water the evaporation of water from the cloths will keep the milk cool. This should be protected from sun.—Will Johnson, in Epitomist.

PURIFYING THE CREAM.

To Remove the Odor of Wild Onions and Bitter Weed Is a Hard Job.

During the last three years considerable effort has been made to find a means by which the odor and taste of wild onion and bitter weed may be removed from milk and cream, says the Alabama experiment station. In the spring of 1901 the writer was requested to try a patent compound claimed to remove all kinds of weedy taste from milk, but it proved to be an absolute failure. Cooking soda (saleratus) was also given a like trial, but failed of the purpose claimed for it by some people. Having failed so far to find anything that when fed to the cows would remove weedy taste in the milk, the next step was treating the milk and cream. Bitter weed taste was removed entirely from cream by thoroughly mixing it with two or more parts of water at any temperature above 70 degrees Fahrenheit, and then running the whole through the separator. Saltpeter dissolved in water was tried as an aid in removing the bitterness, but as good results were secured without it as with it. Rapidly and slowly heating milk and cream to various high temperatures did not remove bitterness, but often imparted a cooked taste. Butter made from washed cream (as above) was pronounced free of all bitterness by the station customers. No means were found to remove the bitter weed taste from whole milk. In the spring of 1902 milk and cream were treated for the wild onion flavor the same as in the previous year for the bitter weed taste.

WHY SPRAYING PAYS.

Use of Insecticides and Fungicides Made Absolutely Necessary by Modern Conditions.

The canker worm, the tent caterpillar, leaf rollers and other native leaf eating insects find instead of an occasional wild cherry tree, wild crabapple or wild plum, whole acres of improved varieties of these, acres upon acres of raspberry, blackberry, strawberry and grape. Grass feeding insects find hundreds and thousands of acres of grassy plants more tender and juicy than the natural grasses. Is it any wonder that native insects, before confined to a less number of less fruitful trees, with an occasional year that permitted almost no fruit at all to grow, thus almost exterminating them, should under such favorable conditions as are offered by our present system of fruit, vegetable and grain culture, thrive and increase in numbers, far beyond what they would under less artificial and less favorable surroundings? We first create an environment unnatural and vastly more favorable than the original for the development of insect enemies of our crops, and bring about the very conditions that in a state of nature these insects prevent, and then wonder why it is that they do the most natural things in the world for them to do—fed and breed. Thus the spraying of plants with insecticides and fungicides becomes imperative, to counteract so far as possible the adverse effects of the present conditions.—Agricultural Epitomist.

Best Temperature for Apples.

Experiments have proved that a lower temperature than at first used by commercial houses is the more desirable for apples. The temperature most satisfactory is 33 degrees and in our experiment was the temperature we tried to keep. Lowering the temperature does not stop all changes going on in the apple, but simply delays them. Fruit cannot be kept indefinitely at 32 degrees freezing, without any changes. There are chemical changes going on which result in what we call overripeness, mealiness, and loss of flavor. This change is independent of decay and is hindered by low temperature and hastened by high.—Iowa Experiment Station.

Feed changed suddenly is liable to cause a falling off in milk.

DIFFERENCE IN MILK.

Method of Selling by Measure Alone, Regardless of Value, Is Radically Wrong.

According to a bulletin of the United States department of agriculture, nearly all milk used for direct consumption is sold by measure alone, regardless of value. This method is unjust to both consumer and producer. The majority of people seem to think that milk is milk, and that one quart is worth as much as another, so long as it is sweet milk. The reason for this is partly a lack of knowledge as to what constitutes good milk and partly because milk is an opaque liquid, and it is difficult to judge its composition or food value by appearance. Milk containing a high per cent. of fat is not only worth more for food, but it costs more to produce than milk containing a low per cent. of fat, and its price should be governed by food values. Frequently one quart of milk contains twice as much fat as another, yet both sell for the same price.

No other commodity is bought or sold with such disregard of food value. All milk should be sold according to its composition, and not only should its exact composition be known, but definite grades should be established with corresponding value. Milk for direct consumption should not only have a standard of values, but of cleanliness as well, and should be produced under inspection.

It would be as reasonable to expect to purchase three pounds of round steak for the price of one as to buy milk with eight per cent. fat and that with two per cent. fat at the same price a quart. Most of the states and some of the cities have passed laws which make it unlawful to sell milk below a certain standard. This makes the sale of milk coming direct from individual cows, that give milk low in fat, unlawful, while it is good, wholesome milk and a perfectly legitimate product when sold at its proper price. But what is even worse, this system prevents the man who produces rich milk from getting the price he should according to its food value and cost of production. Milk containing a high per cent. of fat is not only worth more for food, but costs more to produce than milk containing a low per cent of fat, and the price should be governed by its composition and food value, and not by its bulk.

One hundred pounds of good milk contains 87 pounds of water, four pounds of fat, five pouds of milk sugar, 3.3 pounds of casein and albumen and 0.7 pound of mineral matter or salts. Most of the states and many cities require 3 or 3.5 per cent. of fat and 9 or 9.5 per cent. of "solids not fat." The "total solids" required thus vary from 12 to 13 per cent., according to different laws.

THISTLES MAKE GOOD FEED.

On Discovery of This Fact Obnoxious Weed Ceased to Grow in Kansas.

F. D. Coburn, secretary of the Kansas state board of agriculture, issued a bulletin two years ago in which he declared that the Russian thistle, when properly cured, made excellent feed for stock. Since then the thistle has ceased to grow wild in the northwestern part of the state, where it was most plentiful at that time. In many counties where it was common a few years ago it has become extinct. The Russian thistle a few years ago was the most dreaded weed pest known to farmers. It was said that if it once started it would drive out all other vegetables. Notwithstanding all precautions, the seed was brought into northwestern Kansas with other seed and the plant gained a firm foothold in several counties. The papers printed columns about the necessity of uprooting it and the legislature passed a law on the subject, but the thistle continued to thrive.

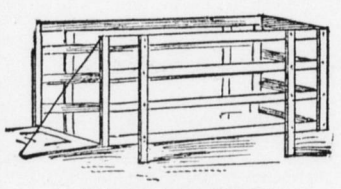
Then cattlemen in the northwest discovered that cattle eat it and they tried putting up some as hay. The experiment was a success, as the cattle would eat it in preference to most other kinds of hay, and it produced good results. Now it seems that the weed is dying out, since it has been discovered to have merits.

A report from Wyoming says that an attempt to cultivate the plant there as a forage crop was a failure owing to the wet season. It is said that in ordinary years this weed can be raised in large quantities on the Laramie plains, as it flourishes on extremely dry ground. Cattle devour it eagerly.

CRATE FOR WAGON BOX.

Convenient for Hauling Pigs and Calves as Well as Loose Material of Any Sort.

This crate should be about three feet high, and fitted with side pieces extending below it that will just fit into the side irons of the wagon body. It can thus be



WAGON BOX CRATE.

set upon the wagon bed in an instant, and will be found most useful in moving calves, sheep, pigs or other stock. It will fit onto a sled in the same way, for winter use. It is also convenient when hauling loose material. If this is long the rear gate can be hinged to let down, as shown. It can also be hinged to open at the side. The slats should be of hard wood, three-quarters of an inch thick.—Farm Journal.

WATCH IN THE SPRING.

And the Spring in the Watch, But the Jeweler Didn't Grasp the Situation.

While picknicking with a crowd in the country the other day, says the Joplin News-Herald, Arch Shade accidentally dropped his watch in a spring, and quite naturally it has since refused to run. He took the timepiece to a jeweler, and the following conversation ensued:

"Here's my watch; can you fix it?"

"What's the matter? Did you break the spring?"

"No; the spring broke the watch."

The man wondered, but proceeded to examine the injured article.

"The spring is broken," he finally announced.

"No wonder," said Arch; "I dropped the watch in it."

"It began to dawn upon the jeweler that the young man was certainly insane, and just as he was glancing around for some avenue of escape Arch explained the situation."

Reads Like a Miracle.

Friarspoint, Miss., Nov. 30.—The Butler case still continues to be the talk of the town. Mr. G. L. Butler, the father of the little boy, says:—

"The doctor said my boy had disease of the spinal chord, and treated him for two months, during which he got worse all the time. Finally, the doctor told me he did not know what was the trouble. The boy would wake up during the night and say that he was dying. He would be nervous and trembling and would want to run from the house, saying he saw ugly things which frightened him. After we had tried everything else, I read an advertisement of Dodd's Kidney Pills as a cure for Nervous Troubles. I purchased some and used them until he had taken altogether eight boxes, when he was sound and well, with not a single symptom of the old trouble. This was some months ago, and I feel sure that he is permanently cured. We owe to Dodd's Kidney Pills all the credit for his restoration to good health."

The Sunken Rock.

"I positively decline to have that young Clippercut in my house again. His influence on my son is most dangerous."

"Why, my friend, he is far from being a bad fellow. He has his follies, I admit, but how unlike such really vicious men as Grogster, Cardflip and Ponyback!"

"Sir, the only danger of a sunken rock is that it is not sunk deep enough."—From Ernest Thompson Seton's "Fable and Woodmyth."

The self-made man is the one who has taken advantage of his self-made opportunities.—Philadelphia Record.

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Do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—J. F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

"Is he fond of music?" "I think not. He enjoys his daughter's playing."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

Some men would be witty if they knew how to be brief.—Chicago Journal.

THE MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 5, 1903.

Flour—Firmer and higher.
Wheat—No. 2 red 90⅝c.
Corn—No. 2 yellow 53½c.
Oats—No. 2 white 42½c.
Hay—Steady.
Beeves—Steers $4.00@5.10, bulls $2.40@4.00, veals $4.00@8.10.
Sheep—Steady at $3.00@4.00, lambs $4.85@5.85.
Hogs—Yorkers $5.00@5.15.

Cleveland, Dec. 5.—Flour—Minnesota patent $4.40@4.90.
Wheat—No. 2 red 89c.
Corn—No. 2 yellow 50c.
Oats—No. 3 white 38½c.
Butter—Best creamery 27c.
Cheese—York state 13c.
Eggs—Strictly fresh 35c.
Potatoes—Best grades 65@70c.
Cattle—Best steers $4.65@4.85, calves $6.75@7.00.
Sheep—Choice wethers $3.50@3.75, best lambs $5.25@5.40.
Hogs—Yorkers $4.65.

Toledo, Dec. 5.—Wheat—Cash 89¼c.
Corn—December 45c.
Oats—December 37½c.
Cloverseed—Cash $6.85.

East Buffalo, Dec. 5.—Cattle—Choice steers $5.50@5.65, veals $7.75@8.00.
Sheep—Best wethers $4.00@4.25, lambs $5.65@5.70.
Hogs—Good Yorkers $4.65@4.70.

Pittsburg, Dec. 5.—Cattle—Choice steers $5.05@5.20, prime $4.85@5.00.
Sheep—Choice lambs $5.35@5.50, prime wethers $3.85@4.00.
Hogs—Prime heavy $4.70@4.75, pigs $4.70.

GRATEFUL, HAPPY WOMEN

Miss Muriel Armitage.

Thank Pe-ru-na for Their Recovery After Years of Suffering.

Miss Muriel Armitage, 36 Greenwood Ave., Detroit, Mich., District Organizer of the Royal Templars of Temperance, in a recent letter, says:

"I think that a woman naturally shrinks from making her troubles public, but restored health has meant so much to me that I feel for the sake of other suffering women it is my duty to tell what Peruna has done for me.

"I suffered for five years with uterine irregularities, which brought on hysteria and made me a physical wreck. I tried doctors from the different schools of medicine, but without any perceptible change in my condition. In my despair I called on an old nurse, who advised me to try Peruna, and promised good results if I would persist and take it regularly. I thought this was the least I could do, and procured a bottle. I knew as soon as I began taking it that it was affecting me differently from anything I had used before, and so I kept on taking it. I kept this up for six months, and steadily gained strength and health, and when I had used fifteen bottles I considered myself entirely cured. I am a grateful, happy woman to-day."—Miss Muriel Armitage.

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GREAT TUNNEL IN THE ALPS.

Troublesome Problem of Cooling the Air in the Simplon Tube Has at Last Been Solved.

Recent dispatches have suggested the probability that work upon the Simplon tunnel in the Alps would be abandoned because the hot springs encountered made the heat so great that it could not be borne. The difficulties, however, have been solved.

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New Amusement in Paris.

The latest fad for the amusement of social gatherings in Paris is the baby party. A man dressed in a baby cap and long apron, and furnished with a feeding bottle, which is advantageously filled with something stronger than milk, is faced by a woman disguised as a nurse, who proceeds to chide the naughty infant until he becomes good and is rewarded by a stick of barley sugar. The game affords much amusement to the onlookers and is much in favor.

Reduced circumstances are the kind that alter cases.—Chicago Daily News.

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About an hour afterward he went to the barn, and found Silas industriously dipping a spike into the liniment and then rubbing it against the horse's leg.

"What are you doing that for?" he asked.

The man looked up with a smile of assurance.

"Because," said he, "'twas what it said in the directions on the bottle; but it's slow work."

"You must have made a mistake," said the minister.

"I have not," answered the man, in an aggrieved tone. "It says here on the bottle: 'Apply with a large nail or tooth-brush,' and as I had no tooth-brush, I thought I'd better use this spike."

Why He Complained.

Gritty George—Sleep well last night, pard?

Dusty Dennis—No; I had on a paper undershirt.

"What of dat?"

"It was a comic paper, an' I was tickled."—Chicago Daily News.

Cautious Man.

"Do you love my daughter?"

"Well, no; not just yet. You see, I'm a cautious man, and I'm just at the point where I feel that I could love her without any trouble. How much of a dowry does she get?"—Chicago Post.

Stock taking every day is a great aid to advancement. Stop and add yourself up at the close of each day, and see if you have anything to carry over. If you have nothing but ciphers to carry over, something is wrong somewhere.—Success.

"Bad luck nebber loafs on de way," said Uncle Eben, "an' every time you sits down to complain, you gives it dat much mo' chance to catch up."—Washington Star.

He is great who is what he is from nature, and who never reminds us of others.—Emerson.

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Advanced Reading, ... Mr. Arling Baker
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What Pupils Should Read, . . . Miss Ximena Brooks
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Music.
Etiquette in School Room, ... Miss Olive Orner
The Relation of the Public Schools to the Health of the Child, ... Miss M. M. Collins, Supt
TheTeacher and His Aims, ... Mr. R. M. Steele
The Use and Abuse of Method, . . . Prof. E. S. Ling
Address, ... Rev. G. W. Faus
Teaching Trifles, ... Prof. J. J. Lynch
Music.

E. O. Excell's Song Book.

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Whitman as an Editor.

Whitman wrote on anything and everything, after the fashion of editors, sometimes with earnestness, sometimes with undisguised indifference. Here is a sample of an occasional sort: "To cure the toothache plunge your feet in cold water. Strange, but true." For "but" most people would read "if." The man who must supply a column at a given hour every day cannot make the quality uniform. Whitman discusses public and personal questions, asks if it is right to dance and answers himself that it is if one goes to bed in decent season, rates the ferry company for allowing men to smoke and spit on the decks, and while the United States army is fighting in Mexico he turns out a restful screed entitled "Some Afternoon Gossip" devoted to a rainfall and the lamentations of ice cream makers on account of the cool weather. Some happenings always drew a lecture from him. He could not abide harshness, unfairness, tyranny or cruelty. Not an execution of the death sentence occurred anywhere in the Union that he did not inveigh against capital punishment. Indeed the severities of law seemed to irritate him more than the severities of the criminal.—Charles M. Skinner in Atlantic.

Editorial Consolation.

The senator had dropped in for a friendly chat with his friend the editor of his home paper and had hardly seated himself when there appeared a well known character of the town, a type of individual common to every locality, the man who knows "how the paper ought to be run."

Without noticing the presence of the senator the man launched into a complaint that the paper had not printed certain articles he had written for it.

"Why," said he, "I gave 'em to you months ago. What have you done with 'em?"

The editor smiled sadly. "I'm holding them," he replied. "And they serve a very good purpose too. Now and then I get to thinking that perhaps we are not offering the public as good a paper as we ought to. At such times I look up your articles and see how much worse the sheet might be. So I become real cheerful again. Please don't take them from me!"

Lovers of Beauty.

The Japanese have a most charming custom which the Americans would do well in following. In the houses of the well to do there is always one room which is called "the chamber of the inspiring view," and from the windows of this room may be seen some beauty of nature, sometimes a glimpse of a winding river or pretty hills, and frequently it is no more than a blossoming cherry tree or an interrupted stretch of white snow, but in any case showing the simple love of the naturally beautiful. While we Americans give theater and dinner parties, the Japanese get up parties to visit the maple trees while they are resplendent in the autumn colors or to go mushroom hunting, and in the winter they go out into the country to view the fresh untrodden snow.—Detroit Tribune.

One of Falb's Predictions.

The Journal des Debats tells a story of Professor Rudolf Falb. In 1874 he predicted an eruption of Etna on Aug. 27. He offered a Vienna editor to write an account of it if the editor would send him to Sicily. Falb was commissioned. When he reached Etna there was not the slightest sign of disturbance. As the 27th approached Falb was tortured with anxiety and spent sleepless nights watching the volcano. Nothing happened on the 27th and 28th. The following morning the servant rushed into the professor's room shouting, "An eruption, a terrible eruption!" Falb saw the spectacle and sent off his dispatch.

Cause and Effect.

A certain professor of pedagogy is fond of repeating the following extract from a composition submitted to him for approval during the days when he was a worker in the schoolteaching ranks.

The extract runs as follows:

"Beings are divided into names, according to that which they feed on. The lion eats flesh—the lion is carnivorous. The cow eats grass—the cow is herbarious. Man eats everything; therefore man is omnipotent."

Beef and Beans.

Beef and beans did not originate in Maine, Boston or Park row. The ancient city of Leicester has some claims that will not be disputed, as you may judge by these old lines:

Cornwall squab pie and Devon white pot brings
And Leicester beans and bacon fit for kings.

—New York Press.

Guilty.

Jones (in a loud whisper)—There's the fellow that fired on the train—

Detective—Hello, you rascal! I've got you dead to rights! Fire on a train, will you?

Prisoner—Yes, you fool! I'm the fireman.

Custom's Reprehensible Work.

"Custom Made Pants," soliloquized the professor, observing a sign in a clothier's window. "Did it? Well, custom was in mighty small business when it cut pantaloons down to pants."—Chicago Tribune.

Sympathy.

Tom (sadly)—That's the second time she has said no.

Jack—Yes? I'm sorry two negatives don't always make an affirmative.—Brooklyn Life.

Art Note.

He—I wonder why Marjorie always insists on calling Gladys picturesque?

She—Probably because Gladys is so well painted.—Minneapolis Sentinel.

The Checkerberry.

The leaves of the wintergreen, a small plant, whose bright red berries about the size of peas, are sold on the streets under the name of teaberry, have long been used for tea, says the Philadelphia Press. From this it takes the name by which it is known in Pennsylvania. New Englanders, for some unknown reason, call it checkerberry. The foliage is very aromatic and people who like a dash of spiciness in their drink have sometimes added its flavor to real tea.

It is near of kin and similar in taste to the creeping snowberry, a small, delicate vine abundant in the great bogs and mossy woods of the north and Alleghany regions, and this is also approved by mountain palates as a substitute for tea.

Thoreau in "The Maine Woods" tells of his Indian guide bringing it into camp one night and recommending it as the best of all substitutes for tea. "It has a slight checkerberry flavor," he records, "and we both agreed that it was better than the black tea we had drought. We thought it a discovery and that it might be dried and sold in the shops."

The "Meenister's" Appetite.

The minister of a kirk in a rather remote country parish in Scotland, with his ruling elder, went a long journey for the "catechising" of an old parishioner. The walk was long and arduous, and when they arrived at their destination their appetites, to say the least, were somewhat "keen," and they did justice to the meal which the old parishioner offered them. "Now, Janet," said the minister, when he and his companion had for awhile finished eating, "we will begin the serious business. Do you remember the text for last Sunday?" "Aye, I mind it well," replied Janet. "It was about the miracle of the loaves and the fishes." "And have you pondered the subject during the week, Janet?" continued the minister. "'Deed have I, sir," said the woman, "and I'm thinkin' the noo that if you and the elder had been there they wadna' have taken up sae mony basketfuls."

Children In Russia.

A long towel is used by Russian peasant women to support their babies. These latter have no baby clothes, but are wrapped in a linen sheet, and the long towel, fastened in a knot behind the mother, passes from the shoulder under one arm and makes a sort of sling for the baby to lie in. Children in Russia are not generally allowed out in the severe weather of winter, but run about barefoot in summer. At night it is so warm in summer that the beds are often pulled outside of the house altogether, and it is not an uncommon thing on the way home from some late amusement to come across a sleeping family of peasants. Richer families have balconies, on to which they also sometimes drag their beds on summer nights.

Pipe Filling as a Profession.

There are few ways of earning an honest penny more strange than that in which an old couple in the north of England eke out a scanty income. Their little cottage is situated near a large mine, and every morning the colliers before descending to their work leave their pipes and tobacco boxes in the hands of the old folk. The pipes are cleaned and filled ready for lighting and the miners can come up at the dinner hour and enjoy a good smoke without having to expend time in charging their pipes. They are again left to be in readiness for the evening. The small weekly charge per pipe mounts into a respectable number of shillings at the week's end.

Indian Music.

A student of music of the aborigines states that the Indians have innumerable songs which conform to a definite melodic system. Many persons have been led to believe that Indian music consists wholly of drums, whoops and yells, but, in the face of twenty years serious study of the matter and thousands of phonograph records, this belief is fast disappearing. These melodies are all indissolubly linked to legends, myths, ceremonials or religious rituals of the greatest poetic and dramatic beauty.

Essence of Orange Leaves.

One of the remarkable industries of Paraguay is the preparation of essence of orange leaves. More than 150 years ago the Jesuit priests, who then ruled that secluded country, imported orange seeds and planted groves, which have now become immense forests, filled with small establishments for extracting the essence, which is exported to France and the United States for use in soap and perfumery making. It is also employed by the natives of Paraguay as a healing ointment and a hair tonic.

Right In the Pulpit Too.

"How did you like Dr. Fourthly last Sunday morning?" asked Mrs. Oldcastle. "Don't you think he indulged rather freely in mixed metaphor?"

"Goodness! I didn't notice. Did he have it right there in the pulpit? This will be a terrible blow to Josiah. He thinks so much of the doctor!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Like Clockwork.

Young Housewife (enthusiastically)—My house runs like clockwork.

Old Housewife—So does mine, but I never look to see whether the clock is keeping good time or not.

Evening.

Bickers calls his office garb his evening suit because it places him on a level with the other clerks.—Boston Transcript.

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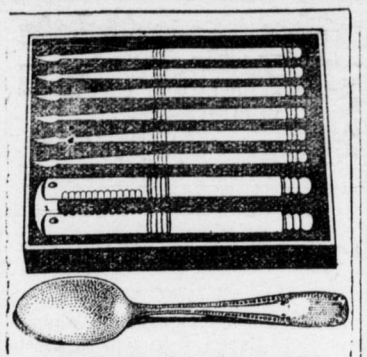

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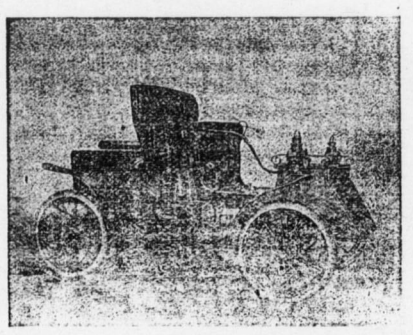

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